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(Trial resumed; jury not present)

THE COURT: Good morning, everyone. Please be seated.

So, I'm ready to rule on the admissibility of evidence relating to the receipt of Mr. Archer and Cooney of the Code Rebel shares.

I have given this issue a lot of thought in the last couple of days. I'm not going to permit the government to introduce the evidence of the Code Rebel shares that were given to Mr. Archer and Mr. Cooney. I don't find persuasive Mr. Archer's argument that my 404 ruling precludes it; instead, I think it runs afoul of Rule 403 in light of its limited probative value and the substantial risk of unfair prejudice to both Mr. Archer and Mr. Cooney.

The government acknowledges that it has no direct evidence that Jason Galanis gifted shares of Code Rebel to Mr. Archer and to Mr. Cooney as compensation for their participation in the WLCC scheme. Obviously, circumstantial evidence is not barred by 403.

The government's circumstantial evidence consists of the following: One, the Code Rebel IPO was held during the course of the WLCC scheme; two, individuals who received pre-IPO shares of Code Rebel are either the alleged members of the WLCC conspiracy or their family members and friends; three, the Code Rebel IPO itself was in certain respects in furtherance of the WLCC scheme because two entities used

approximately 87 percent of the IPO shares and when the price of Code Rebel stock increased, the resulting profit was used in part to make the initial interest payment on the first tranche of bonds when it became due; and, four, some of the Code Rebel shares were used by certain of the entities that participated in the WLCC scheme to, for instance, satisfy net capital requirements.

While the government clearly views the Code Rebel IPO as part and parcel of the WLCC bond conspiracy, it's not how the case was charged. There is not a single reference to the Code Rebel IPO in the operative indictment. Particularly in light of Jason Galanis' notorious history of fraud, that there was a separate pump and dump scheme does not render the distribution of shares of Code Rebel to Jason Galanis' associates — which was necessary for him to carry out the pump and dump — evidence of the fraudulent scheme charged in this case.

This finding is bolstered by the only two government witnesses who can testify to the receipt of Code Rebel shares: Hugh Dunkerley and Francisco Martin. Mr. Dunkerley testified that despite his involvement in the WLCC scheme, he received 50,000 shares of Code Rebel in return for his role as the purported placement agent for the IPO. Mr. Martin received two sets of shares, according to the 3500 material: One set of

50,000, which he received in return for his efforts in setting up the two corporate entities that purchased the vast majority of the shares offered in the IPO, and another 500,000 shares he received — like Mr. Archer — via a convertible note he entered into with Code Rebel, which Mr. Martin claims were not compensation of any kind but instead were held in his name for the benefit of Jason Galanis. This was presumably done so that Jason Galanis could surreptitiously maintain control of the shares without owning them, which seems to be direct evidence of the mechanics by which Jason Galanis effected the pump and dump rather than of the WLCC scheme.

The argument that Mr. Archer received shares for his role in the WLCC scheme is questionable for a few reasons.

First, Mr. Archer signed the convertible note with Code Rebel in May 2014 -- more than three months prior to the first WLCC bond issuance -- and well before Jason Galanis could determine what his appropriate compensation would be as a result of his alleged contributions to the WLCC scheme. More persuasive is the fact that the transaction between Mr. Archer was structured as a loan, which the government alleges was a sham transaction because Jason Sugarman, a close associate of Jason Galanis', provided the money to Code Rebel. But, particularly in light of Francisco Martin's statement to law enforcement that he did not actually own the Code Rebel shares and that Jason Galanis later created a fake paper trail making the transaction appear

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to be a loan, strengthens the conclusion that this evidence of Mr. Archer's receipt of shares is in fact probative of the pump and dump scheme, which I have already precluded. As I previously noted, Code Rebel is not charged as part of this conspiracy in the operative indictment. Moreover, while the government wants to rely on this transaction as evidence of Mr. Archer's motive, he transferred these shares out of the Rosemont Seneca Bohai account without receiving any consideration. If anything, this fact renders the transaction even more probative of the pump and dump -- but further counsels against finding that the shares were somehow compensation for his role in the charged conspiracy. Substantially similar reasoning applies to Mr. Cooney's receipt of 370,000 shares, which, like Mr. Dunkerley's shares and Mr. Martin's set of 50,000 shares, were distributed without Code Rebel receiving any compensation.

This limited probative value is countered by the substantial danger of unfair prejudice to the defendants. The theory now advanced by the government was not articulated to me until Thursday, and it only came in light of Mr. Archer's objection to the government exhibit on a separate and distinct basis. The government has marked several exhibits relating to this category of evidence since the trial began. Both defendants opened in part on a theory that they did not make any money in this alleged conspiracy. While those statements

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are not necessarily inaccurate in light of the evidence the government seeks to introduce, that is in part the point. The defendants did not sell the shares for gain but the introduction of this evidence may mislead the jury into thinking they profited on the market value of the shares that they held.

Most importantly, in my view -- and the deciding factor, frankly, in this analysis for me -- is the danger of unfair prejudice due to the limitations on defense counsel's ability to cross-examine Francisco Martin with respect to his receipt of Code Rebel shares in light of my ruling that the evidence of the pump and dump is inadmissible pursuant to 404(b), and to make the arguments that they want to make about an alternative inference for the purpose of the transfer of the shares to the jury. This is especially true in light of Mr. Martin's belief that the 500,000 shares he received via convertible note were not compensation of any sort but being held for Jason Galanis' benefit presumably for the pump and To sufficiently cross-examine Mr. Martin on this point, dump. in order to show that Mr. Archer similarly did not receive his shares by way of convertible note as compensation for his role in the WLCC scheme, would seem to necessarily require Mr. Archer to open the door to the pump and dump, forcing the defendant to now make a choice between effectively cross-examining Mr. Martin about the purpose of the transfer of

the Code Rebel shares and make the arguments that he thinks he needs to make for an alternative inference, or keeping out evidence of the pump and dump, is simply too prejudicial in light of my prior ruling that the pump and dump shouldn't come in.

So, for those reasons, I find that the probative value is substantially outweighed by the danger of unfair prejudice, and I will not permit the government to introduce evidence that any of these defendants received shares of Code Rebel stock without compensation.

With respect to the ADV evidence, Mr. Archer has asked that I reconsider my 404(b) ruling with respect to the form ADV evidence in light of Ms. Morton's guilty plea. I'm not going to alter my ruling that the form ADV evidence is admissible as direct evidence of a conspiracy. The government has proffered that Ms. Morton's purported misstatements on the form ADVs helped conceal the conflicts of interest that persisted in the transactions that resulted in the deposit of the WLCC bonds into the accounts of clients of Hughes and Atlantic. It is thus still direct evidence of the conspiracy alleged in Count One of the indictment; and I further note that Count Two, the substantive security fraud count, similarly alleges that the failure to disclose these conflicts of interest represented material omission. Moreover, while Ms. Morton has pled guilty, this evidence is clearly probative of her intent, and it

remains relevant in light of the fact that the defendants here are alleged to have been members of a conspiracy with her.

I also have not changed my mind, however, about giving limiting instructions — as requested by Mr. Archer — at a few specific junctures of trial, instructing the jury that this evidence is to be considered against the three defendants only if the jury finds that they were part of the conspiracy and that these acts were committed in furtherance of the conspiracy and were reasonably foreseeable to them.

Ms. Notari, with respect to your motion to admit the subpoena issued to the Los Angeles County Registrar and the certification from the clerk along with those records, I am going to admit them pursuant to 803(8) the public records exception. The subpoena, just to be clear, is not being offered for the truth of the matter asserted but rather to show what was communicated to the clerk's office and how it bears on the certification; so, they will be admitted.

I think those are the issues that you wanted to address for this morning.

MR. TOUGER: Your Honor, just as a result of your ruling on the Code Rebel shares, obviously Mr. Galanis will abide by your ruling, but we would move for a severance at this point, because obviously that evidence that Mr. Cooney and Mr. Archer got Code Rebel shares as compensation and that Mr. Galanis did not would be beneficial to him, so we would move

for a severance on that issue.

THE COURT: I'm sorry, walk me through that a little bit more.

MR. TOUGER: The evidence that you have not allowed to be placed in front of this jury is that Mr. Archer and Mr. Cooney received Code Rebel shares as payment for their participation in the charged conspiracy. Mr. Galanis did not get any Code Rebel shares at all, and, therefore, that proof would be probative to the jury to say these two got shares and we didn't, so obviously we're not involved in the conspiracy.

THE COURT: OK, that motion is denied.

And then I have not had a chance, Mr. Touger, to review your letter. I will tell you that, as I ruled at the final pretrial conference, that Mr. Raines is engaged in pay day lending is not probative of his character for truthfulness in light of the reasonable belief that it's not illegal. So, I have to say I fail to see why his participation specifically in pay day lending is of any probative value, but I'm going to read your letter before I rule, but I just want to tell you what my thinking is on this, and then I will consider your letter and let you know for sure.

MR. TOUGER: Your Honor, I also sent the Court -- and I am apologize for the informality of the e-mails -- but further e-mails supportive of that letter.

THE COURT: So I will review them before Raines

testifies.

MR. QUIGLEY: Judge, we had one other issue we wanted to raise, and this is in regards to the agreement between the parties about the guilty pleas of Jason Galanis, Gary Hirst and Michelle Morton, as well as the Jason Galanis central district of California conviction.

We proposed a stipulation to the defense; they've had it for some time; we sent it over to them again on Friday; we reminded them again last night about it. We would like this to be read in after the testimony of Dunkerley. That's the logical place to do it. They have not yet agreed to this.

We would also propose -- as I proposed to the defense -- a limiting instruction, and I can hand up what we instructed.

off? I mean I've said previously that I'm happy to read it. I think the government can read it in its case; I will make sure that it's a joint exhibit. But what I don't want to have happen is that you just not get back to the government so they can't do what they're trying to do. I don't think that's fair if you substantively don't have an objection to it.

MR. SCHWARTZ: Understood. To be clear -- and I have been clear with the government about this -- for reasons of our trial strategy -- which obviously I have not explained in detail to the government -- I have told them that our

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comment -- my comments on that stipulation -- were contingent 1 upon your Honor's ruling this morning. Now that we've gotten 2 3 the ruling, I can get back to them on the stipulation. 4 THE COURT: Can you do it right now while I keep the 5 jury waiting? 6 MR. SCHWARTZ: I mean I need my computer, but I can do 7 it during the break. 8 MS. MERMELSTEIN: We have a copy. 9 THE COURT: I will keep the jury waiting, because I 10 think it's only fair to them to do this after Dunkerley 11 completes his testimony, and I think he is almost done. 12 MR. SCHWARTZ: If we can take 15 minutes, I will go 13 upstairs to the room where my computer is. 14 MR. QUIGLEY: I have it here. MR. SCHWARTZ: But my notes on my comments are 15 16 upstairs on my computer. 17 THE COURT: OK. So can I make it ten minutes? 18 MR. SCHWARTZ: I will do it as quickly possible. 19 THE COURT: Just let Ms. Cavale know when you're 20 ready, please. Thank you. 21 (Recess) 22 THE COURT: All right. The jury is all ready, so if 23 we could do this quickly, it would be appreciated.

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MR. QUIGLEY: So, I mean do you want to hand it up to

All right. Mr. Galanis isn't here.

the judge?

MR. SCHWARTZ: Oh, sure.

MR. QUIGLEY: Judge, I think a couple things. Just on overall formatting, for purposes of clarity, we think the Galanis, Hirst and Morton guilty pleas in this case should come first, just because otherwise it could be read to suggest that Jason Galanis, Gary Hirst and Morton pled guilt in the Central District of California, which isn't the case. So, we think that needs to come first, and then have an addition about the Central District of California.

Then on the two paragraphs regarding the Central District of California, we don't think -- looking at Mr. Schwartz's version -- that the clause "pursuant to a cooperation agreement" should be in there. I think that gets at your Honor's ruling suggesting that Mr. Galanis was a good liar and that the government signed him up out there.

And then with respect to the second paragraph about the Central District of California --

THE COURT: So, you just want in that on or about June 29, 2010 he pled guilty to attempted tax evasion for tax year 2005 in the United States District Court for the Central District of California.

MR. OUIGLEY: Yes.

THE COURT: OK. And what was your next?

MR. QUIGLEY: Again, on the second paragraph about the

Central District of California, we do think -- and I don't have our version in front of us because I handed it up -- that there should be some reference to what he lied about, because he lied about his involvement in a market manipulation scheme.

MR. TOUGER: I would object to that, your Honor.

THE COURT: Why?

MR. TOUGER: Because I think it's too close to what the charges are here.

MR. SCHWARTZ: The government basically described the Gerova crimes and said that he took over a public company and caused -- so on and so forth. If we're not getting in that he deceived the government, then it doesn't really matter what he lied about.

Now, I disagreed, however, that the cooperation agreement should come out under the same reasoning, because that shows the weight of his lies.

The jury has just heard that when you agree to cooperate with the government you have an obligation to tell the truth, and it was that that Jason Galanis violated. That goes to his credibility; that's what impeaches him. It doesn't say anything about whether he was ever believed, whether he fooled anyone, which I understand your Honor has excluded.

THE COURT: Are you not at all worried that if it becomes clear that he cooperated, that it suggests that he gave up your clients?

MR. TOUGER: No, the cooperation is before, it's 2010, your Honor.

THE COURT: Yes, that's true. But even if he was talking to the government in some capacity. I understand the timing doesn't work here; I understand that he lied. I am just saying for a jury that doesn't know how these things work at all, are you not at all worried about that?

MR. SCHWARTZ: I mean, look, I agree with your Honor that the force of this is substantially neutered by taking out the fact that he successfully deceived the government.

THE COURT: And I am not going to keep that in; I think I said that before.

MR. SCHWARTZ: I understand, and I'm not rearguing that. I am just acknowledging the reality of the situation. I think the reality of the situation is if the jury were to think that the government got in bed with Jason Galanis and cooperated with him, that would reflect much more poorly on them than us, especially after Mr. Dunkerley's testimony, so I'm not particularly --

THE COURT: Fair enough.

MR. TOUGER: And my other argument — it leads right from that — is unlike the other defendants, Jason Galanis is still a son of my client, and obviously because of the 404(b) ruling and other rulings I can't really combat that issue, so there has to be some semblance that John Galanis, you know,

is -- that Jason Galanis is not a complete fraud in everything that he does, and that would impact negatively on my client because he is his father, and there is obviously a knowledge there of prior crimes that he might have committed.

So I think just that he lied gets the point across that we need to get across, and it doesn't influence or impact the jury at all about other defendants.

MR. SCHWARTZ: You know what, can I have one more second to speak with cocounsel?

THE COURT: Yes.

MR. QUIGLEY: I think --

THE COURT: Let's just listen to Mr. Quigley first.

MR. QUIGLEY: Between the two, our concern is really with the cooperation agreement. I think that could be read as again suggesting that he deceived the government; he successfully deceived the government out there in California. I mean that gets at all the issues that your Honor addressed in the 404(b) ruling, and also, frankly, suggests that people who get signed up for cooperation agreements are liars and are deceivers that could be used to impugn the government's witnesses in this case, which would be improper, given that we -- this office -- was not involved at all in signing up Mr. Galanis in California, and again have charged him twice with federal crimes, convicted him twice, including for what he lied to the Central District of California about. And that's a road

I don't think we want to go down.

THE COURT: All right. I will tell you what I'm inclined to do. I'm inclined to work off the government's draft of the stipulation, keep the order of paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 in front, keep paragraph number 4 the same, and cut paragraph 5 short, so that it would read, "In the course of meetings in 2010 and 2011 with the United States Attorney's Office for the Central District of California, and law enforcement agents, Jason Galanis lied by concealing his participation in criminal activity."

MR. QUIGLEY: That's fine with the government.

MR. SCHWARTZ: I'm sorry, I don't have a copy of the government's in front of me. So the preceding paragraph will simply say he pled guilty to tax evasion without reference to a cooperation agreement?

THE COURT: Right.

MR. TOUGER: Tax evasion in the year 2005?

THE COURT: It doesn't say that, but I have no problem adding in the year.

MR. SCHWARTZ: Your Honor, I think upon reflection and discussion with my cocounsel, I think we would withdraw our request to go into any of the 2010 and '11 conduct, and so we could limit the stipulation to simply the pleas in this case.

MR. QUIGLEY: Not go into any of the 2010 or '11 conduct at all, like at any point in the trial?

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1 MR. SCHWARTZ: Nothing about his plea, cooperation or lies to the government. 2 3 MR. QUIGLEY: Your Honor, just give us one second. 4 That's kind of a new one. 5 THE COURT: Sure. 6 MR. SCHWARTZ: And to be clear, we were always fine 7 with the other language. 8 THE COURT: The language in those three paragraphs 9 about the pleas. 10 MR. SCHWARTZ: About this case, correct. 11 MR. QUIGLEY: That's fine, your Honor. 12 THE COURT: OK. So, I'm going to just read paragraphs 13 1 through 3 about Jason Galanis' plea of quilty in this case to 14 conspiracy to commit securities fraud, securities fraud, and 15 conspiracy to commit investment advisor fraud; Gary Hirst's plea to the various crimes -- I'm he not going to read them 16 17 unless you want me to -- and Michelle Morton's plea to the two 18 counts. 19 MR. SCHWARTZ: Yeah. And just I want to be very sort 20 of clear about how this is going to be stage managed. 21 So, the government is going to invite the court to 22 read a joint stipulation. 23 THE COURT: Yes.

MR. SCHWARTZ: Your Honor will read the joint stipulation. I don't know if it's going to be displayed on the

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screens, but if it is, it will bear government and defense 1 2 stickers. Otherwise, you will explain that it's a joint 3 exhibit being read at the request of both parties, correct? MR. QUIGLEY: I would be fine with your Honor reading 4 it in. 5 THE COURT: That's fine. I will just read it, and 6 7 then I was going to give the instruction that the evidence is being admitted solely to assist you in assessing the 8 credibility of statements made by Jason Galanis, Michelle 9 10 Morton and Gary Hirst. I instruct you that you are to consider 11 it for no other purpose. 12 MR. SCHWARTZ: That's right. And you are going to say 13 you are reading it at the request of all parties. 14 THE COURT: Yes, I'm happy to. 15 MR. SCHWARTZ: Thank you. THE COURT: All right. Can we bring the jury in. 16 17 Thank you. 18 (Continued on next page) 19 20 21 22 23 24 25

- 1 (Jury present)
- THE COURT: Good morning, everyone. You can be
- 3 seated. Mr. Schwartz, you may proceed.
- 4 Mr. Dunkerley, you are still under oath.
- 5 | HUGH DUNKERLEY, resumed.
- 6 | CROSS EXAMINATION (Continued)
- 7 BY MR. SCHWARTZ:
- 8 | Q. Thank you, your Honor. Good morning, ladies and gentlemen.
- 9 Good morning, Mr. Dunkerley.
- 10 A. Good morning.
- 11 | Q. I have just a few more questions for you. When we broke
- 12 | yesterday afternoon we were talking about your white boarding
- 13 sessions with Jason Galanis in late 2015. Do you recall that?
- 14 | A. I do.
- 15 | Q. And I believe when we had just left off you had told us
- 16 | that you and Jason Galanis sometimes used cocaine together,
- 17 | correct?
- 18 A. Correct.
- 19 | Q. Now, in the course of those white boarding sessions, Jason
- 20 Galanis came up with the idea of throwing Michelle Morton under
- 21 | the bus, true?
- 22 | A. True.
- 23 | Q. And, Mr. Jackson, can we bring -- we were looking at
- 24 Defense Exhibit 1705 -- can we bring that up.
- This is where we had left off, right?

- 1 | A. Correct.
- 2 | Q. So, Jason Galanis said you were going to throw Michelle
- 3 Morton under the bus and that was going to be his narrative,
- 4 | correct?
- 5 A. Correct.
- 6 Q. When the authorities came asking him questions, he was
- 7 going to blame Michelle Morton, true?
- 8 A. That was one of his narratives, correct.
- 9 Q. And another big part of his narrative was this company
- 10 | Calvert, correct?
- 11 A. Correct.
- 12 | Q. And Calvert's sole purpose was to deceive people, correct?
- 13 | A. Yes.
- 14 | Q. And again the only people that you ever discussed Calvert
- 15 and its illicit purpose with were Gary Hirst and Jason Galanis,
- 16 | true?
- 17 | A. True.
- 18 Q. Did you ever discuss Calvert and its illicit purpose with
- 19 | Francisco Martin?
- 20 A. He may have come up in conversation, but I don't
- 21 | specifically remember talking to him about it. Obviously, his
- 22 | cousin ran the firm and was the individual, but I don't
- 23 remember talking to him about it.
- Q. When you say ran the firm, I mean there was no firm, right?
- 25 A. Well, correct, but there is a company that was incorporated

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- in the UK, and an individual needed to head that company up,
  and that was Francisco Martin's cousin.
  - Q. He was the one who lent his name to the fake paperwork to say he ran the fake company, right?
  - A. His name was on the paperwork.
- Q. Certainly, you did not ever discuss Calvert and its illicit purpose with Mr. Archer, true?
  - A. True.
  - Q. You can take that down, please, Mr. Jackson.

Yesterday we talked a little bit about the \$15 million that Rosemont Seneca Bohai LLC used to purchase the second bond issuance. Do you recall that?

- 13 | A. Yes, I do.
- Q. And we had said that originally at the time -- which was
  about September/October 2014 -- Jason Galanis had told you that
  Mr. Archer had Chinese investors and this was their money
  because it needed to be placed before an investment contract
- 18 expired, true?
- 19 | A. True.
- 20 | Q. And you believed him at the time, correct?
- 21 A. Absolutely.
- 22 | Q. And one of the reasons you believed him was because you
- 23 knew that Mr. Archer in fact had connections to Chinese private
- 24 | equity firms, true?
- 25 A. True.

- Q. I want to show you -- Mr. Jackson just for the witness, the lawyers and Judge Abrams -- Defense Exhibit 4722.
  - Now, focusing on the bottom e-mail here, this is an e-mail from Dan McClory to you, true?
  - A. Yes.

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- MR. SCHWARTZ: I offer Defense Exhibit 4722.
- 7 MR. QUIGLEY: No objection.
- 8 THE COURT: It will be admitted.
  - (Defendant's Exhibit 4722 received in evidence)
- 10 | Q. And this e-mail is about something called BHR, right?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 | Q. And you understand that to be a Chinese private equity
- 13 | firm, right?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 | Q. And it refers to \$6 trillion of AUM with 112 state owned
- 16 | enterprises, correct?
- 17 | A. Yes.
- 18 Q. And again AUM means assets under management, right?
- 19 | A. Yes.
- 20 | Q. And you see at the bottom it says "Devon was stellar,"
- 21 | right?
- 22 A. Absolutely.
- 23 | Q. And can we turn to the next page. Do you see that picture?
- 24 | A. I do.
- 25 | Q. And you recognize the fellow third from the left as the

- 1 | same fellow who is sitting over there in the corner, Mr.
- 2 | Archer, correct?
- 3 A. Mr. Archer, yes.
- 4 | Q. You hadn't met him though before you met in this
- 5 courthouse, correct?
- 6 A. Correct.

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7 Q. Thank you.

Are everyone else's screens working?

THE COURT: So a couple people's screens are not working. Can you look over the folks in front of you? Thank you. We will work on that over the break. Thanks.

- Q. Mr. Jackson, could I just ask you to go back to the first page so everyone can see it, and just blow up the bottom e-mail that we were looking at.
- Now, we also talked about in the context of that \$15

  million that was used to purchase the second bond issuance the

  fact that you had withdrawn \$15 million from the Wealth

  Assurance Private Client account, and you had deposited it in

  the Thorsdale Fiduciary Guaranty -- Thorsdale Fiduciary &
- 21 | A. Yes.

Guaranty account, right?

- 22 Q. And you later learned after you were arrested that that was
- 23 the money that was used to buy the second bond issuance,
- 24 | correct?
- 25 A. Yes.

- Q. And you told us that you learned that in part from seeing the charges against you, correct?
- 3 | A. Yes.
- 4 | Q. But you did not know that at the time.
- 5 | A. I had no idea.
- Q. Even as you were doing that deposit, you didn't know what
- 7 | the purpose was.
- 8 A. Correct.
- 9 Q. You did that deposit, however, in a very specific way;
- 10 | isn't that true?
- 11 A. Could you expand on your question of what you mean by
- 12 | specific.
- 13 | Q. Sure. I want to show you Exhibit 565 already in evidence
- 14 | at page 2. This is a withdrawal slip for \$15 million from the
- 15 | Wealth Assurance Private Client account, correct?
- 16 A. Correct.
- 17 | Q. And the date on it is September 23, 2014, correct?
- 18 A. Correct.
- 19 Q. And you have signed it, true?
- 20 | A. True.
- 21 | Q. And you can take that down, Mr. Jackson, and please bring
- 22 | up Exhibit 510, also in evidence, and pull up page 32, and blow
- 23 | that up.
- Now, this is a deposit slip for the Thorsdale
- 25 | Fiduciary & Guaranty Company Ltd. account, correct?

- 1 | A. Correct.
- 2 Q. On the same date, correct?
- 3 A. Correct.
- 4 Q. And you see it says the deposit is \$15 million in cash.
- 5 True?
- 6 A. That's what it says, yes.
- 7 | Q. You physically went to a Chase branch, you withdrew \$15
- 8 | million using a withdrawal slip, and then you deposited \$15
- 9 | million in cash using this deposit slip into a different
- 10 | account, correct?
- 11 A. So, to characterize what you're saying to me is I
- 12 | physically took \$15 million out of a bank in notes and placed
- 13 | into another account? Is that what you're trying to tell me?
- 14 Q. No, sir. You were there so you know what happened.
- 15 A. I'm asking you.
- 16 | Q. I'm asking you a question. All right? You are telling me
- 17 | that you at no point were handed big stacks of cash, \$15
- 18 | million in cash, right?
- 19 A. I was at no point handed big stacks of \$15 million in cash,
- 20 correct.
- 21 | Q. I understand that. But you're a professional, correct?
- 22 | A. I'm a professional executive type person, correct.
- 23 | Q. You have done many, many wire transfers in your life,
- 24 | correct?
- 25 A. Yes.

- Q. And you do those wire transfers by giving instructions to your bank, and they just wire the money, right?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 | Q. In this instance you physically went to a Chase bank,
- 5 | correct?
- 6 | A. Yes.
- 7 Q. Yes. And you physically filled out a withdrawal slip,
- 8 | correct?
- 9 A. I filled out this withdrawal slip, correct.
- 10 | Q. And then you physically did a deposit with a deposit slip
- 11 | into a different bank account, correct?
- 12 A. Correct.
- 13 Q. And the reason for doing it that way, sir, was so that
- 14 | there would be no paper trail, true?
- 15 A. I would have absolutely no idea about that.
- 16 | Q. Well, Jason Galanis told you to go down to the branch,
- 17 | correct?
- 18 | A. Yes.
- 19 Q. OK. And I want to look at the bank statements now. I want
- 20 to look at Exhibit 512 in evidence at page 6.
- 21 If you could blow up the middle of the page. Thank
- 22 you.
- 23 OK. You see at the top under "electronic
- 24 | withdrawals"? Do you see that?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 | Q. There is a record for a wire transfer, true?
- 2 | A. Yes.
- 3 | Q. And you can see exactly where that wire transfer is going
- 4 | to, right?
- 5 | A. Yes.
- 6 Q. It's going to the account of something called Car Sync LLC,
- 7 | right?
- 8 | A. Yes.
- 9 | Q. It's a car dealership, true?
- 10 | A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Was this in connection with Jason Galanis upgrading from
- 12 | the Bentley to the super Bentley?
- 13 A. You know, I actually have no idea.
- 14 | Q. What is a super Bentley?
- MR. QUIGLEY: Objection. Judge, we objected to this
- 16 yesterday and you sustained it.
- 17 THE COURT: Yes, sustained. I'm sorry, I didn't hear
- 18 | the last word.
- 19 Q. I want to know the answer, so maybe we can talk about it
- 20 | later. But I will ask a different question.
- 21 MR. QUIGLEY: Objection again.
- 22 | THE COURT: Let's stop the commentary, please.
- 23 | Q. Underneath where it says "fees and other withdrawals" you
- 24 see that there is something that says on the 11th "transfer to
- 25 checking and then there is a checking account, right?

- 1 | A. Yes.
- 2 Q. And you can tell exactly where that money is going too,
- 3 | right?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. All right. But underneath that is the September 23rd
- 6 | withdrawal of \$15 million, right?
- 7 A. Correct.
- 8 Q. And that one just says withdrawals, true?
- 9 A. Correct.
- 10 | Q. Now, take that down, and let's look at the other side of
- 11 | the transaction. That money went to Thorsdale, correct?
- 12 | A. The withdrawal money -- yes, the 15 million?
- 13 | Q. Right, it went from Wealth Assurance Private Client to
- 14 | Thorsdale, right?
- 15 | A. Yes.
- 16 | Q. And we just looked at the bank statement for the outgoing
- 17 | money from Wealth Assurance Private Client, right?
- 18 | A. Yeah.
- 19 | Q. And it just showed withdrawal, right?
- 20 | A. Yes.
- 21 | Q. So now let's look at the Thorsdale statement. That's
- 22 | Exhibit 522.
- 23 And if we can go to page 47. And if you could blow
- 24 that up.
- 25 And here too at the top you see a wire, and you can

- 1 | tell exactly where that wire is coming from, right?
- 2 A. Right.
- 3 Q. But if you look on the 23rd at that \$15 million deposit it
- 4 | just says deposit, right?
- 5 | A. Correct.
- 6 Q. So if you look at these bank statements, you couldn't tell
- 7 | where the money was coming from or going to, correct?
- 8 A. Correct.
- 9 Q. And that was Jason Galanis' instruction, to go down to the bank and do it that way, right?
- 11 MR. QUIGLEY: Objection.
- 12 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 13 | Q. Jason Galanis told you physically to go down to the bank
- 14 and do the transaction in the way that you did, true?
- 15 | A. True.
- 16 Q. And that's not the only time you did it that way, right?
- 17 A. Correct.
- 18 | Q. By the way, if we can just jump forward a few pages to page
- 19 | 51 of this exhibit, and right in the middle of the page if you
- 20 can blow up the activity for the 24th, Mr. Jackson.
- 21 This is the following day, correct? Correct?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. That's the money leaving Thorsdale, and here it is done by
- 24 | wire, correct?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 | Q. And it's a fed wire to the Wolff Law Firm, right?
- 2 | A. Yes.
- 3 | Q. On this one there is a clear paper trail, true?
- 4 A. Absolutely, yes.
- 5 Q. You can take that down.
  - Now, as we were just saying, you have done that on other occasions, right?
- 8 | A. Yes.

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- Q. Jason Galanis would instruct you from time to time that certain transactions had to be done in the Chase bank branch,
- 11 | right?
- 12 | A. Yes.
- Q. And to your knowledge Gary Hirst was also instructed the same way, true?
- MR. QUIGLEY: Objection.
- 16 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 17 | Q. To your knowledge.
- 18 | Well, are you aware -- were you ever a witness --
- 19 A. I'm not aware.
- 20 | O. You're not aware. OK.
- Now, you recall yesterday we talked a little bit about the Wealth Assurance American Express card?
- 23 | A. Yes.
- 24 | Q. That was the one where you had charged Jason Galanis'
- 25 | landscaping?

- 1 | A. Yes.
- 2 | Q. And you said yesterday you didn't know how it was paid,
- 3 | just that Jason Galanis had caused it to be paid, correct?
- 4 A. Correct.
- 5 | Q. I want to show you for now just for the witness, the
- 6 | lawyers and Judge Abrams Exhibit 1583. This is an e-mail chain
- 7 | between yourself, Jason Galanis and Gary Hirst, correct?
- 8 | A. Yes.
- 9 MR. SCHWARTZ: I offer Exhibit 1583.
- 10 | THE COURT: Any objection?
- MS. MERMELSTEIN: One moment, your Honor.
- 12 | MR. QUIGLEY: No objection, your Honor.
- 13 | THE COURT: All right, it's admitted.
- 14 | (Defendant's Exhibit 1583 received in evidence)
- 15 | Q. Now, focusing on your e-mail of April 16, 4:30 p.m., you
- 16 | say "\$4.955 million is great. Amex is not linked to any
- 17 | account and it is paid as necessary over the Internet."
- 18 | Correct?
- 19 A. Correct.
- 20 | Q. And the response comes from -- it says Holmby. Do you see
- 21 | that?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. You know home by was Jason Galanis, correct?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 | Q. And he says, "please pay Amex from WAPC today," correct?

- 1 | A. Correct.
- 2 | Q. And WAPC is Wealth Assurance Private Client, right?
- 3 | A. Yes.
- 4 Q. That was the account that received the WLCC bond money,
- 5 true?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 | Q. That is the entity that had nothing to do with the real
- 8 | Wealth Assurance holdings and Wealth Assurance AG, correct?
- 9 A. Correct.
- 10  $\parallel$  Q. And if we look at -- excuse me -- Joint Exhibit 512 in
- 11 | evidence, at page 34, if you look -- if you blow up the account
- 12 | activity and you go one, two, three, four, five transactions
- down, that's an actual payment on that American Express card
- 14 | from the Wealth Assurance Private Client account, true?
- 15 | A. Yes.
- 16 | Q. So you would agree with me that the credit card that you
- 17 | and Jason Galanis were using for various personal expenses was
- 18 paid at least from time to time from the Wealth Assurance
- 19 | Private Client account, correct?
- 20 A. Yes, absolutely.
- 21 | Q. And in fact we can see just looking at this page alone that
- 22 | money from Wealth Assurance Private clients went all over the
- 23 place, didn't it?
- 24 | A. Yes.
- 25 (Continued on next page)

- 1 | Q. You see there is a wire for \$171,000 to something called
- 2 Murphy Pearson Bradley & Feeney, right?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 | Q. That is a law firm, true?
- 5 A. I believe so.
- 6 Q. And underneath that, \$100,000 goes to Thorsdale, right?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. There is \$49,700.00 that goes to Newline Trading, right?
- 9 | A. Yes.
- 10 | Q. And again Thorsdale was Jason Galanis' company, right?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 | Q. And Newline was your company, correct?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. There is \$100,000 to Santa Fe National Insurance Company,
- 15 | right?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. And I skipped one, \$236,000 to Jason and Elizabeth
- 18 | Sugarman, true?
- 19 | A. True.
- 20  $\parallel$  Q. There is \$170,000 -- jumping around a little bit -- to
- 21 | First American Title Company in connection with a property at
- 22 | 1254 Canton court Encinitas, California. Do you see that?
- 23 | A. Yes.
- 24 | Q. Do who lived at 1254 Canton Court in Encinitas?
- 25 A. I don't know.

- Q. You were paying some sort of real estate related fees for someone you didn't know whose house that is?
- 3 A. That's correct.
- 4 Q. You see there is a big payment of more than \$5 million that
- 5 goes also to Newline Trading, correct?
- 6 A. Correct.
- 7 Q. And that was in connection with the purchase by Newline
- 8 | Trading of Fondinvest, the fund of funds we talked about
- 9 before?
- 10 | A. Yes.
- 11 | Q. That was the company in France you went to go run, right?
- 12 | A. Yes.
- 13  $\mathbb{Q}$ . You see there is \$1,250,000 that actually goes to the
- 14 | Wakpamni Lake Distribution Project, right?
- 15 | A. Yes.
- 16 | Q. That was a payment to the WLCC as part of the bond
- 17 | contracts, right?
- 18 A. I believe so, yes.
- 19 Q. There is \$305,000 to Hughes Capital Management, right?
- 20 | A. Yes.
- 21 | Q. And that was working capital for Hughes, correct?
- 22 A. I believe so, yes.
- 23 | Q. Working capital, meaning money that they used to pay their
- 24 | everyday expenses, correct?
- 25 A. Yes.

- Q. Money from Wealth Assurance Private Clients, proceeds of the bonds went all over, true?
- 3 | A. True.
- Q. And am I not correct that there was, however, not a single penny that went directly to Devon Archer?
- A. I would have to look through all of this to sort of come up
  with a true and accurate statement on that.
- 8 | Q. You can't recall, correct?
- 9 A. I cannot recall.
- 10 Q. In your 20 meetings with the government, you never talked about one, right?
- 12 A. Correct.
- 13 Q. You'd think you would talk about that, right?
- 14 MR. QUIGLEY: Objection.
- 15 THE COURT: Sustained.
- Q. And there was also not a single penny that went directly to Rosemont Seneca Bohai, correct?
- 18 A. I have to give the same answer to that, I did so many wire 19 transfers, I get lost in which ones were made and not made.
- Q. To your memory, there is not a single penny that went to
- 21 | Rosemont Seneca Bohai?
- 22 A. To my memory, yes.
- 23 Q. To your memory, there was not a single penny that went to
- 24 Archer Diversified, correct?
- 25 A. Correct.

- 1 Q. In fact, the only interaction, to your knowledge, that
- 2 Mr. Archer had with Wealth Assurance Private Client was that he
- 3 | actually put money into it at one point, true?
- 4 A. Yes, I believe that is the case, yes.
- 5 Q. And again you never discussed the WLCC bonds with
- 6 Mr. Archer in any way, shape or form except on that one single
- 7 | Burnham Securities, Incorporated investment committee call,
- 8 correct?
- 9 A. Correct.
- 10 Q. In that call absolutely nothing improper was discussed,
- 11 | correct?
- 12 A. Correct.
- 13 | Q. In fact, you were never part of the conversation with
- 14 Mr. Archer in which anything improper was discussed, correct?
- 15 A. Correct.
- 16 | Q. You had discussions with Mr. Galanis about improper things,
- 17 | true?
- 18 A. Absolutely.
- 19 | Q. And Gary Hirst, true?
- 20 | A. True.
- 21 | Q. And Francisco Martin, true?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. But never Devon Archer, correct?
- 24 A. Correct.
- 25 | Q. In fact, the only bad thing you have to say about Devon

- Archer is that his lawyer asked you way too many questions?

  MR. QUIGLEY: Objection.
- MR. SCHWARTZ: I withdraw that. I want to thank you very much for your time, Mr. Dunkerley. You have been very
- THE COURT: Going forward, we don't need the commentary. Do you have any redirect.
- 8 MR. QUIGLEY: Briefly, your Honor.

helpful. No further questions.

- REDIRECT EXAMINATION
- 10 BY MR. QUIGLEY:
- 11 Q. Good morning.
- MR. QUIGLEY: Mr. Wissman, pull up Government Exhibit
- 13 | 565.-2.

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- 14 | Q. Mr. Dunkerley, you were shown this exhibit both on direct
- 15 and on cross, right?
- 16 | A. Yes.
- 17 Q. This is a withdrawal slip from the Wealth Assurance Private
- 18 Client account on September 23rd, 2014, right?
- 19 A. Correct.
- 20 | Q. No secret about where this money is going?
- 21 A. No secret.
- 22 | Q. In fact, what does it say where the money is going to?
- 23 A. Thorsdale Fiduciary & Guaranty Limited.
- 24 | Q. You can take that down.
- 25 You were asked a number of questions about, by the

- different attorneys about Hughes and Atlantic. Do you remember
- 2 that?
- 3 | A. Yes.
- 4 Q. One of the things you were asked was that Hughes and
- 5 | Atlantic had discretion or at least some discretion over some
- 6 portion of the client accounts, right?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 | Q. Of course, clients can set limits on an investment
- 9 adviser's discretion, right?
- 10 | A. Yes.
- 11 | Q. Mr. Touger asked you about the many conversations you had
- 12 before the first bond deal with Michelle Morton. Do you recall
- 13 | that it was a couple of days ago?
- 14 A. I don't know who Mr. Touger is.
- 15 | Q. Mr. John Galanis' attorney?
- 16 A. Great.
- 17 | Q. You first met Ms. Morton on or about August 11, 2014?
- 18 | A. Yes.
- 19 | Q. At the Hughes closing?
- 20 | A. Yes.
- 21 | Q. And the first tranche of bond closed two weeks. Is that
- 22 || right?
- 23 A. That's correct.
- 24 | Q. Fair so say you didn't know, you did not know her all that
- 25 | long when the first tranche of bonds closed?

- 1 A. Correct.
- 2 | Q. You were asked some questions about whether you had a
- 3 conversation with Michelle Morton about whether the bonds fit
- 4 | into the profile of her clients.
- 5 | A. Yes.
- 6 Q. You couldn't recall any conversation in any event, right?
- 7 | A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Fair to say that was not something you were focused on
- 9 | whether or not the bonds fit into the Hughes clients'
- 10 investment parameters?
- 11 | MR. SCHWARTZ: Objection to leading, your Honor?
- 12 | THE COURT: I will let it go, but watch the leading.
- 13 THE WITNESS: It was not something I was focused on.
- 14 BY MR. QUIGLEY:
- 15 Q. You were asked some questions about BFG Socially
- 16 Responsible Investments. Do you recall that?
- 17 | A. I do.
- 18 Q. Just remind us what your role was BFG Socially Responsible
- 19 Investments was.
- 20 | A. I was the sole managing member and director of BFG SRI.
- 21 | Q. What was your understanding in that role of what BFG was
- 22 | intended to stand for?
- 23 A. So originally when the company was created, my
- 24 understanding was that BFG stands for Burnham Financial Group
- 25 | Socially Responsible Investing, and then later on as the

- 1 | transaction progressed, I was specifically told by Jason
- 2 | Galanis that BFG didn't stand for anything and it was just to
- 3 be known as BFG Socially Responsible Investing.
- 4 | Q. There was no actually affiliation with Burnham Financial?
- 5 A. There was none.
- 6 Q. You were also asked questions about GMT Duncan?
- 7 A. YES.
- 8 Q. Just so we're on the right page, that became the parent
- 9 company of Hughes Atlantic. Is that right?
- 10 | A. Yes.
- 11 | Q. Just to situate ourselves again, you were asked questions
- 12 | about the Class A shareholders of Michelle Morton and Richard
- 13 Dearie?
- 14 | A. Yes.
- 15  $\parallel$  Q. About how they had control under the operating unit?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 | Q. As a practical matter, could Jason Galanis tell Michelle
- 18 | Morton what to do?
- 19 MR. TOUGER: Objection.
- 20 THE COURT: Just talk about what you observed.
- 21 THE WITNESS: Yeah, so what I observed is he did tell
- 22 | Michelle Morton what to do, correct.
- 23 BY MR. OUIGLEY:
- 24 | Q. Including with respect to Wakpamni?
- 25 A. Yes.

- Q. You recall being asked if you had a discussion with Jason
  Galanis after the subpoenas came down about the fact that -what did you believe about you and Jason Galanis believe about
  the Michelle Morton's disclosures?
  - MR. TOUGER: Objection what Jason Galanis believed, your Honor.
  - THE COURT: Sustained as to that.
  - BY MR. QUIGLEY:
- 9 Q. Did you have conversations with Jason Galanis about
  10 Michelle Morton's disclosures on certain forms that were to be
  11 filed with the SEC?
- 12 | A. Yes.

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- 13 Q. What did you discuss during those discussions?
- 14 A. We discussed that she had not disclosed the investment by
- 15 | BFG SRI into GMT Duncan on a Form ADV at the time Hughes
- 16 | Capital Management was purchased.
- Q. Was she required to disclose that because of the ownership and control interest that BFG --
- MR. TOUGER: Objection; calls for a legal opinion, your Honor.
- 21 THE COURT: First of all, let's just watch the 22 leading. Why don't you rephrase the question.
- 23 BY MR. OUIGLEY:
- Q. Why did you believe that she was required to disclose BFG SRI on that form?

- 1 MR. TOUGER: Objection, your Honor.
- THE COURT: I think you can ask generally what his
- 3 understanding was of how the --
- 4 BY MR. QUIGLEY:
- Q. What was your understanding of what she was required to
- 6 disclose on that form?
- 7 MR. TOUGER: Objection to required to disclose.
- 8 THE COURT: Of what?
- 9 What is your understanding based on your participation of what was required to be disclosed?
- 11 THE WITNESS: A full disclosure of all investors into 12 the entity was required.
- 13 BY MR. QUIGLEY:
- 14 | Q. Let's shift topics and talk about, you were asked a bunch
- 15 | of questions about the different entities involved in this
- 16 plan, right?
- 17 | A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Were there always clear lines between the people and
- 19 | entities involved?
- 20 | A. No.
- 21 | Q. Was there an overlap in the people involved in these
- 22 | different entities?
- 23 | A. Yes.
- Q. Can we pull up what is in evidence as defense Exhibit 4733.
- 25 Do you recall seeing this document?

- 1 | A. I do.
- 2 | Q. You were familiar with this -- you received this email back
- 3 | in 2015?
- 4 | A. I did.
- 5 | Q. The date on this email is what?
- 6 A. The 18th of July 2015.
- 7 Q. So this is after all four Wakpamni bond issuances?
- 8 | A. Yes.
- 9 Q. What is the purpose of this presentation?
- 10  $\parallel$  A. The purpose really was to set out a strategy and to show
- 11 | Burnham and Co. as a major financial institution for possible
- 12 | sale, I believe.
- 13 | Q. So it is a promotional document?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 | Q. If we go to Page 4. Do you see the slide recognized brand
- 16 | name?
- 17 | A. I do.
- 18 | Q. Let's just break this down.
- Burnham Legacy refers to what?
- 20 A. I am sorry?
- 21 | Q. Do you have an understanding of what Burnham Legacy refers
- 22 to?
- 23 | A. Yes.
- 24 | 0. What does it refer to?
- 25 A. Burnham during the 80's was known by the name of Drexel

- Burnham Lambert and was a major player in junk yield bonds during that time.
- 3 Q. So everything from Apollo going around to Moelis & Company
- 4 deals with Burnham Legacy. Is that right?
- 5 A. Yes.
- Q. Those entities were not entities you acquired during the
- 7 | roll-up plan?
- 8 A. Correct.
- 9 Q. During 2013 and 2015?
- 10 A. Correct.
- 11 Q. Do you see future acquisitions. Do you see that on the
- 12 | bottom of the page?
- 13 | A. I do.
- 14 | Q. That is everything from Eurobank to IAG Malta?
- 15 | A. Yes.
- 16 | Q. How many of those acquisitions were ultimately consummated?
- 17 A. To my knowledge, none of those acquisitions ultimately
- 18 consummated.
- 19 | Q. Is it fair to say the only entities actually involved in
- 20 | the roll-up plan on this slide are Burnham, Valor Life,
- 21 Atlantic Asset Management, Fondinvest and Bonwick?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 | Q. What was Burnham's role in the bond transactions?
- 24 A. Placement agent.
- 25 Q. What was Atlantic Asset Management's role in the

- 1 | transactions?
- 2 A. It was the investor into the bonds. It represented those
- 3 | investors.
- 4 | Q. Into the final tranche of bonds?
- 5 | A. Yes.
- 6 Q. How much time, roughly, went by between the acquisition of
- 7 Atlantic and placement of bonds with Atlantic Investors?
- 8 A. I'm not exactly sure, but I think about three or four
- 9 | months.
- 10 | Q. We looked at this in Government Exhibit 512, but how was
- 11 | the purchase of Fondinvest financed?
- 12 A. It was purchased with money from Wealth Assurance Private
- 13 | Clients.
- 14 | Q. That was the proceeds of the final bond issuance?
- 15 | A. Yes.
- 16 | Q. That was purchased by Atlantic, on behalf of Atlantic
- 17 | clients?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Do you know whether Bonwick had any role in the bonds, the
- 20 Wakpamni bonds?
- 21 A. No, I really don't know much about Bonwick Capital.
- 22 | Q. Fair enough. Can we jump ahead to Page 7.
- 23 This reports the last Burnham established
- 24 | relationships. Is that right?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 | Q. Teneo Consulting, what was their role at Burnham?
- 2 A. Their role was to produce this presentation and put
- 3 | together the strategy that we're looking at right now.
- 4 | Q. They produced this presentation?
- 5 | A. Yes.
- 6 Q. And then under regulators, do you see that?
- 7 | A. I do.
- 8 | Q. Did Burnham have any? It says SEC?
- 9 | A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Does every company in the financial services industry have
- 11 | a relationship with the SEC?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 | Q. FINRA, do you know what that stands for?
- 14 A. I can't remember the exact definition.
- 15 | Q. Don't worry about it. Does every broker-dealer have a
- 16 relationship with FINRA?
- 17 | A. Yes.
- 18 | Q. If you could go to Page 11. Go back to Page 8 for a
- 19 second. Did this structure with Burnham & Company overseeing
- 20 | Valor Group Ltd, did that actually come to fruition?
- 21 A. Not to my knowledge.
- 22 | Q. If we can go to Page 11. This is a discussion of certain
- 23 people involved in the roll-up plan, right?
- 24 A. Yes.

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Q. Was Jason Galanis a key player in the roll-up plan?

- 1 | A. Yes.
- 2 | Q. He is not on here?
- 3 A. Correct.
- 4 | Q. If you go back to the email, first Page 1, who is the
- 5 second person on the "to" line after Mr. Archer?
- 6 A. Jason at Burnham Equity Partners, which is the email for
- 7 | Jason Galanis.
- 8 Q. Go back to Page 13. Do you see the picture of the Burnham
- 9 headquarters on the left?
- 10 | A. I do.
- 11 Q. What address is that?
- 12 A. I believe that is 40 West 57th street in New York, New
- 13 York.
- 14 | Q. Did Burnham occupy that entire building?
- 15 | A. No. Just one and a half floors of that building, I
- 16 believe.
- 17 | Q. Just one and a half floors?
- 18 | A. Yes.
- 19 Q. That wasn't the Burnham skyscraper or anything?
- 20 A. There was no Burnham skyscraper.
- 21 Q. You can take that down. Thank you.
- 22 You were asked a number of questions by Ms. Notari
- 23 | about 1920 Bel Air. Do you remember that?
- 24 | A. Yes.
- 25 | Q. To clarify, what was your role as managing member of 1920

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1 | Bel Air, LLC?
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- 2 A. Really just to administrate the entity of 1920 Bel Air
- 3 owning that particular company, so documentation, some basic
- 4 replies. There was not a tremendous amount of work to do with
- 5 | that particular entity.
- 6 Q. So is it fair to say you were not a caretaker for the
- 7 property itself?
- 8 MS. NOTARI: I can't hear you.
- 9 Q. Is it fair to say you were not a caretaker for the property
- 10 itself?
- 11 A. Yes, that's correct.
- 12 | Q. Who was the owner on paper of 1920 Bel Air?
- 13 A. At the entity 1920 Bel Air Holdings was the owner, I
- 14 | believe.
- 15 | Q. And who lived there the whole time, the whole relevant
- 16 period of this case?
- 17 A. Jason Galanis.
- MR. QUIGLEY: One moment, your Honor.
- 19 (Off-the-record discussion)
- 20 MR. QUIGLEY: I have one more question. Just scroll
- 21 | through it, Mr. Wissman. (Pause)
- 22 BY MR. QUIGLEY:
- 23 | Q. Do you see -- one more question -- do you see where it says
- 24 | expanded platform?
- 25 A. I do.

- Q. Did each of the entities listed here have different owners and boards of directors?
- 3 A. Substantially, yes.
- 4 | Q. There was overlap, is it fair to say?
- 5 A. There was some overlap between the directors in some of these entities, yes.
- Q. In reality, they were all part of the roll-up plan. Is that right?
- 9 A. Yes.

- 10 Q. Regardless of what was actually on paper?
- 11 A. These entities all would have been combined into one to be sold off as a single entity.
  - Q. You can take that down. Thank you.
- Going back to 1920 Bel Air, were you familiar with an entity called Hilltop Trust in relation to 1920 Bel Air?
- 16 A. No, I actually wasn't.
- Q. Can we pull up Defense Exhibit 3056 A. Do you recall seeing this email yesterday with Ms. Notari?
- 19 | A. I do.
- 20 Q. This is, if you go to the attachment, and so do you recall
- 21 seeing Government Exhibit 512 the day before this email
- 22 Mr. Cooney had gotten \$3.8 million from the Wealth Assurance
- 23 | Private Client account?
- 24 | A. I do.
- 25 | Q. This document, what is the date on this document?

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- A. The 13th of November, 2014.
- Q. Can you highlight, Mr. Wissman, "In accordance with."

  Just read that, Mr. Dunkerley, that sentence.
- A. In accordance with Addendum No. 1, buyer and seller hereby instruct escrow to release a total amount of \$3.995 million to
- 6 seller's counsel in accordance with the below instructions.
  - Q. So where is the money going?
- 8 A. To the Wolff Law Firm.
- 9 Q. Look at the bottom of the page. You signed that document
- 10 for the seller. Who signed for the buyer?
- 11 A. Bevan Cooney.
- 12 | Q. Just to be clear, Mr. Cooney never lived at 1920 Bel Air?
- 13 A. That's correct.
- 14 | Q. There was never any discussion of him living there?
- 15 A. Never any discussion of the sort.
- 16 Q. Never any discussion of him buying that property?
- 17 A. Correct.
- 18 Q. You were asked a number of questions about the Calvert
- 19 documents. Do you recall that?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 | Q. Just to be clear, the Calvert documents were created to
- 22 come with a cover story after you learned of the government
- 23 | investigation in this case?
- 24 A. That's clear, that's correct.
- 25  $\parallel$  Q. That was in the fall of 2015?

- 1 | A. Yes.
- 2 | Q. You were arrested in this case in the spring of 2016?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 | Q. You first met Mr. Archer in person at a court proceeding in
- 5 | this case when you were both present in June 2016?
- 6 | A. Yes.
- 7 | Q. Were you both in court as defendants. Is that right?
- 8 | A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Mr. Dunkerley, did Jason Galanis lie to you?
- 10 | A. Yes.
- 11 | Q. Did he tell you everything about the scope of this Wakpamni
- 12 scheme?
- 13 | A. No.
- 14 | Q. Did he tell you everything about everyone else's role in
- 15 | the scheme?
- 16 A. No.
- 17 | Q. Did he tell you the identities of everyone else?
- 18 A. No.
- 19 Q. Did he know every detail of the scheme?
- 20 A. I did not know every detail of the scheme.
- 21 | Q. Were you still a participant in the scheme?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 | Q. Were you still part of the conspiracy?
- 24 | A. Yes.
- MR. QUIGLEY: No further questions, your Honor.

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Dunkerley - recross

1 THE COURT: Any recross? RECROSS EXAMINATION 2 BY MR. TOUGER: 3 4 In all those questions that Mr. Quigley just asked you at Q. 5 the end, would they be the same for people who were 6 non-participants in the conspiracy? 7 MR. QUIGLEY: Objection. THE COURT: Sustained. 8 9 Q. Did Jason Galanis, through you, hide information from 10 non-participants in the conspiracy? MR. QUIGLEY: Objection? 11 12 THE COURT: Sustained. 13 Did you hide information from non-participants in the 14 conspiracy? 15 MR. QUIGLEY: Objection. THE COURT: Overruled. 16 17 Repeat the question, please. 18 Q. Did you hide information from people who were involved in part of the aspects of this case that were not involved in the 19 20 conspiracy? 21 Α. Yes. 22 Q. Now, Mr. Quigley just asked you about Ms. Morton and your 23 relationship. 24 Α. Yes.

Did you say this was the first time you met her?

- A. The first time I physically met her was at the closing of Hughes Capital Management.
- 3 Q. You had developed a relation with her prior to that,
- 4 | correct?
- 5 A. There were a few emails back-and-forth, but actually not,
- 6 no, I had not really developed much of a relationship with her
- 7 before that.
- 8 | Q. The personal relationship came later, correct?
- 9 A. Correct.
- 10 | Q. But you had business emails with her prior to the closing?
- 11 A. There were, yes, a few emails, yes.
- 12 | Q. To set up the deal, right?
- 13 | A. Yes.
- 14 | Q. Now, you also said that you did not concern yourself with
- 15 | her business, correct, with her purchasing of the bonds?
- 16 A. Could you rephrase the question.
- 17 | Q. Sure. Mr. Quigley just asked you did you delve into the
- 18 | fact of her having authority to buy the bonds or not, correct?
- 19 A. That was not something I was that interested in.
- 20 | Q. Exactly. That was not your concern, right?
- 21 A. Right, right.
- 22 | Q. You trusted that she was a professional and was going to do
- 23 | her job?
- 24 | A. Yes.
- MR. TOUGER: Now, Mr. Jackson, if you could just bring

- 1 | up DX 4733 A, thank you, and go to Page 12. If you can just
- 2 | highlight that entities line, all the different entities.
- 3 Thank you.
- 4 BY MR. TOUGER:
- 5 | Q. I am talking about the arrow that has all the different
- 6 entities involved in this transaction, right?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 | Q. One overwhelmingly common factor in all those entities is
- 9 | Jason Galanis, right?
- 10 A. I am not exactly sure what you mean.
- 11 | Q. Jason Galanis was involved in Wealth Assurance Holdings,
- 12 || right?
- 13 A. Informally, but not formally.
- 14 | Q. Well, he owned shares?
- 15 A. He did own shares, yes.
- 16 Q. He is involved in Wealth Assurance Holdings?
- 17 | A. Yes.
- 18 | Q. And he was involved in the purchase of Burnham Asset
- 19 | Management, correct?
- 20 A. Of Burnham Asset Group, Financial Asset Management,
- 21 | correct.
- 22 | Q. He was involved in the Wealth Assurance AG purchase,
- 23 correct?
- 24 | A. Yes.

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Q. He was involved in the purchase of Hughes Capital

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- 1 | Management, correct?
- 2 | A. Yes.
- 3 | Q. As a matter of fact, you just testified that he gave
- 4 | Michelle Morton orders?
- 5 | A. Yes.
- 6 Q. And he was involved in the acquisition of Valor Life?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 | Q. By the way, would you agree with me that the funds to
- 9 purchase Valor Life came from the WAPC?
- 10 | A. I believe they did.
- 11 | Q. He was involved in the Vaudoise Assurance, Incorporated,
- 12 | correct?
- 13 | A. Yes.
- 14 | Q. And he was involved in the acquisition of Fondinvest?
- 15 | A. Yes.
- 16 | Q. And he was involved in the acquisition of Bonwick Capital?
- 17 A. I believe so, yes.
- 18 Q. And he was involved in the COR family of funds also,
- 19 | correct?
- 20 | A. Yes.
- 21 | Q. And I believe that's because, as you said, he was the hub
- 22 | of everything, right?
- 23 A. Basically, yes.
- 24 | Q. And Jason Sugarman was his brawn, as you said?
- 25 A. Was his what?

- 1 | Q. Brawn, as you said?
- 2 A. Brawn?
- 3 | Q. Yes, brawn?
- 4 A. Yes, yes, yes.
- 5 | Q. And I think it came out during Mr. Schwartz's
- 6 cross-examination, he had a nickname for Jason Sugarman, right?
  - A. Correct.

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- Q. They were very close?
- 9 MR. QUIGLEY: Beyond the scope.
- 10 MR. TOUGER: This was mr. Schwartz's cross.
- 11 | THE COURT: I'll allow it.
- 12 BY MR. TOUGER:
- 13 | Q. They were very close, right?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 | Q. Now, you also testified during Mr. Schwartz's
- 16 cross-examination, and can we bring up Defense Exhibit 512,
- 17 | Page 34.
- 18 MR. QUIGLEY: Your Honor, this is beyond the scope of
- 19 redirect. I don't know whether your Honor is allowing. We
- 20 | wait to recross on other people's cross, but --
- 21 MR. TOUGER: We are three separate defendants, your
- Honor.
- 23 | THE COURT: Yes, I will allow it given the other
- 24 cross-examination, but I will also give you the opportunity to
- 25 | follow up if you would like to.

- MR. TOUGER: Page 34. If you could go to the \$1.25 million and highlight that.
- 3 BY MR. TOUGER:
- 4 | Q. That is money from WAPC going directly to the Wakpamni Lake
- 5 Distribution, correct?
- 6 A. Correct.
  - Q. That is part of the bond payment, right?
- 8 A. Correct.

- 9 Q. \$1.25 million?
- 10 | A. Correct.
- 11 | Q. If you could go down for the one for 236,000 to Jason
- 12 | Sugarman and his wife. That shows a payment of WAPC funds to
- 13 | Jason and Elizabeth Sugarman personally, correct?
- 14 A. It does.
- 15 | Q. of \$236,000?
- 16 | A. Yes.
- 17 | Q. And would you agree with me that Mr. Sugarman also got
- 18 payments through different companies of his through WAPC?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 MR. TOUGER: Could you go down to the one for 5.3
- 21 | million, I believe FOUR from the bottom. The ONE for
- 22 | Fondinvest.
- 23 | Q. That is for the purchase of Fondinvest, you testified?
- 24 | A. Yes.
- 25 | Q. That is one of the companies WAPC brought as part of the

- 1 | roll-up and --
- 2 MR. QUIGLEY: Objection.
- 3 THE COURT: Sustained.
- Q. Do you know if that was part of the purchase of Wakpamni
- 5 proceeds, WLCC proceeds to purchase private equity, namely
- 6 | Fondinvest?
- 7 MR. QUIGLEY: Objection.
- 8 THE COURT: I'll allow that.
- 9 A. So Wealth Assurance Private Client proceeds were used to buy Fondinvest, yes.
- 11 Q. Thank you.
- 12 Now, there was a white board, Exhibit 1705, where the
- 13 | initials JWG was on the white board. Whose initials are those?
- 14 A. They would be Jason Woodruff Galanis.
- 15 | Q. Not John Galanis, right?
- 16 | A. Correct.
- MR. TOUGER: You can take this down, Mr. Jackson.
- 18 | Thank you. If you could go back to Defense Exhibit 4733 A,
- 19 | Page 4. Highlight the current acquisitions area. Thank you.
- 20 BY MR. TOUGER:
- 21 | Q. What this shows, I believe as you testified on redirect,
- 22 | are companies that were bought as part of the roll-up, correct?
- 23 And Valor Life, you testified, was bought with WAPC
- 24 | funds, right?
- 25 A. Correct.

- 1 Q. Fondinvest was bought with WAPC funds, right?
- 2 | A. Correct.
- 3 | Q. Bonwick Capital was bought with WAPC funds?
- 4 A. I don't know about that.
- Q. All of those companies are private equity investments,
- 6 correct?
- 7 MR. QUIGLEY: Objection.
- 8 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 9 Q. Do you know if all three of those companies are private 10 equity investments?
- 11 MR. QUIGLEY: Objection.
- 12 THE COURT: I'll allow that.
- 13 A. Sorry. Do I know?
- 14 Q. In general, buying those companies would be a private
- 15 | equity investment?
- 16 | A. Yes.
- MR. TOUGER: If you could go to Page 7, please. You
- 18 can highlight the professional services part. That is fine.
- 19 | Thank you.
- 20 Q. Do you see the professional services circle?
- 21 | A. I do.
- 22 | Q. Or oval?
- 23 | A. Yes.
- 24 | Q. Mr. Quigley asked you about Teneo Consulting, which is the
- 25 | international firm that did this document, correct?

- 1 A. Correct.
- 2 Q. Also in there is Baker & McKenzie. What is Baker &
- 3 McKenzie?
- 4 A. Top five accounting firm in the world.
- 5 | Q. They worked in this roll-up?
- 6 A. They produced accounts for some of the entities in this
- 7 roll-up.
- 8 Q. What is Winston & Strawn?
- 9 A. I am not exactly sure what Winston & Strawn actually is.
- 10 | Q. Okay. E&Y?
- 11 A. Ernst & Young.
- 12 | Q. Atop five accounting firm?
- 13 A. Absolutely.
- 14 | Q. Deloitte?
- 15 A. Top five world accounting firm.
- 16 Q. These are five top accounting firms in the world, right?
- 17 A. Yeah, and PWC as well, yes.
- 18 | Q. So four of them were involved intricately in these
- 19 | transactions?
- 20 MR. QUIGLEY: Objection.
- 21 THE COURT: Do you know the answer to that?
- 22 | THE WITNESS: Yes, I do.
- 23 | THE COURT: You can answer it then.
- 24 | THE WITNESS: They produced the accounts for a lot of
- 25 these transactions, correct.

- 1 BY MR. TOUGER:
- 2 \ Q. And the audits, right?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 MR. TOUGER: You can take that down. Thank you,
- 5 Mr. Jackson. One moment, your Honor.
- 6 THE COURT: Sure.
- 7 (Pause)
- 8 BY MR. TOUGER:
- 9 Q. You and Mr. Galanis and Mr. Sugarman had discussions about 10 placing the bond proceeds into private equity, correct?
- MR. QUIGLEY: Objection; beyond the scope of recross and redirect.
- 13 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 14 | A. Yes.

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- 15 THE COURT: Let's just make sure all of your questions 16 are follow-up questions asked, and I don't want to go over
- MR. TOUGER: That is why I am going through it, your
  Honor, just to make sure.
- 20 (Pause)

everything again.

- 21 BY MR. TOUGER:
- 22 | Q. One last question. I know you've testified that all the
- 23 | Calvert documents were a fake, correct?
- 24 A. Correct.
- 25 | Q. In the end, though, the result of all those documents were

- that Thorsdale placed the shares that they owned in WAH which were legitimate, correct?
- 3 MR. QUIGLEY: Objection.
- 4 THE COURT: Sustained. .
- 5 BY MR. TOUGER:
  - Q. Thorsdale owned shares of WAH, correct?
- 7 A. Yes.

- Q. And in the end, all those documents did was place those
  Thorsdale shares of WAH into Wealth Assurance Private Client?
- 10 MR. QUIGLEY: Objection.
- 11 THE COURT: To your knowledge, you can answer that.
- 12 | A. Into Wealth Assurance Private Client or into Calvert?
- 13 | Q. From Calvert into Wealth Assurance Private Client?
- 14 A. Can you rephrase the question.
- 15  $\parallel$  Q. In the end, those documents that you say are all false --
- 16 | A. Ah-huh.
- 17 | Q. -- I am not disputing your characterization, in the end
- 18 what those documents purported to do was take the shares that
- 19 | Thorsdale owned in WAH which were legitimate, transferred them
- 20 | to Calvert, which then transferred them to Wealth Assurance
- 21 | Private Client?
- 22 | A. Calvert held the shares. The fake documents showed Calvert
- 23 held the shares on behalf of Wealth Assurance Private Client.
- 24 | Q. Right, and the reason you're saying they're fake is because
- 25 they were done a year after that transaction allegedly

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- 1 | occurred?
- 2 A. Correct.
- 3 MR. TOUGER: Nothing further.
- 4 THE COURT: All right. Anything else?
- 5 MS. NOTARI: Yes, your Honor.
- 6 RECROSS EXAMINATION
- 7 BY MS. NOTARI:
- 8 Q. Good morning, Mr. Dunkerley.
- 9 A. Good morning.
- 10 | Q. Mr. Dunkerley, 1920 Bel Air was owned by an LLC, correct?
- 11 | A. Yes.
- 12 | Q. It was not owned by an individual?
- 13 A. Correct.
- 14 | Q. It is fair to say that we established yesterday, when we
- 15 reviewed the file and all the documents, that there are a lot
- 16 of complex transactions involved with this particular property?
- 17 | A. Yes.
- 18 | Q. You would agree that you said that Mr. Jason Galanis wanted
- 19 to refinance his property, correct?
- 20 | A. Yes.
- 21 | Q. And he was hoping that Mr. Cooney would help him with the
- 22 | refinance of the property?
- 23 MR. QUIGLEY: Objection.
- 24 | Q. You testified --
- 25 THE COURT: Sustained.

- 1 BY MS. NOTARI:
- 2 Q. -- you testified yesterday that Mr. Cooney was going to
- 3 help Jason Galanis with the refinance of 1920 Bel Air, correct?
- 4 | A. Yes.
- 5 | Q. And you said that you were given -- it is fair to say that
- 6 whatever you did on behalf of 1920 Bel Air, these instructions
- 7 came from Jason Galanis, correct?
- 8 | A. Yes.
- 9 Q. And it is fair to say that you testified during this trial
- 10 | that not every conversation you had with Jason, you were not
- 11 | privy to conversations that Jason Galanis had with Mr. Cooney,
- 12 | correct?
- 13 A. I was not privy to all those conversations, correct.
- 14 | Q. And it is fair to say that you don't know what Jason
- 15 | Galanis told Mr. Cooney?
- 16 A. Exactly right.
- 17 Q. Now, if we look at -- if you can bring up Government's
- 18 | Exhibit 3236.
- 19 MR. QUIGLEY: It is not in evidence.
- 20 MS. MERMELSTEIN: It is not in evidence.
- 21 MS. NOTARI: Your Honor, may I approach?
- 22 THE COURT: Yes.
- 23 (Pause)
- MS. NOTARI: Your Honor, at this time I would move
- 25 Government Exhibit --

I66JGAL2 Dunkerley - recross 1 MS. MERMELSTEIN: Your Honor, this appears to be on 2 the jury's screens. 3 JUROR: It is not any more. 4 MS. MERMELSTEIN: Perfect. BY MS. NOTARI: 5 6 Can you please read through this. 7 Α. (Pause) 8 Now, do you recall the details of -- can you review that, 9 please. 10 Can I read the what? Α. 11 Ο. Can you review this document? 12 Α. Yes, yes. 13 THE COURT: He didn't say he didn't remember anything. 14 MS. NOTARI: I will ask him a question. 15 THE COURT: Ask him before you ask him to review it. He hasn't said his memory needs refreshing. 16 17 MR. OUIGLEY: He is not not even on the email. BY MS. NOTARI: 18 19 Q. Have you ever seen the actual wire that that was sent to 20 Mr. Cooney from Wealth Assurance Private Client? 21 THE COURT: You don't have to look at that. 22 Do you recall, have you ever seen, the question was, 23

the actual wire that was sent to Mr. Cooney from Wealth Assurance Private Client?

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THE WITNESS: I don't know how you see an actual wire.

- 1 BY MS. NOTARI:
- 2 | Q. Did you ever see the documentation for the wire that was
- 3 | sent to him?
  - A. No.

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- Q. Would it help you if you looked at government exhibit -
  THE COURT: He said he didn't see it.
- 7 | Q. Are you aware of the fact that the actual wire was sent to
  - Mr. Cooney, care of his accountants at Fulton & Meyer?
    - MR. QUIGLEY: Objection.
    - THE COURT: Do you know who it was sent to?
- 11 THE WITNESS: I have no idea.
- 12 THE COURT: He has no idea.
- 13 BY MS. NOTARI:
- 14 Q. Now, the actual wire was for -- do you remember the amounts
- 15 | that we discussed yesterday?
- 16 A. We discussed a lot of emails yesterday.
- Q. So the actual amount of the wire was for -- may I -- 3.8 -
  THE COURT: Just ask him questions.
- 19 Q. The actual wire was for 3.8 million 50,000, correct?
- 20 A. I believe so.
- 21 Q. If we refer back to Defense Exhibit 30056 A --
- 22 | THE COURT: Is that in evidence?
- MS. NOTARI: Yes, it is.
- 24 THE COURT: Okay.
- MR. SCHWARTZ: Apologies. We don't have that one.

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- (Off-the-record discussion) 1 2 THE COURT: The government has it. 3 MR. OUIGLEY: We have it. 4 MS. NOTARI: Thank you. BY MS. NOTARI: 5 Q. If we can move to the second page. So the actual wire that 6 7 was wired was released to the Wolff Law Firm was for 3.995, 8 correct? 9 Correct. Α. 10 So actually the wire, the amount of money that was sent to 11 the Wolff Law Firm was in excess of \$100,000 more than the 12 money that was sent to Mr. Cooney, correct? 13 A. From the WAPC account, correct. 14 Q. Is it fair to say if you're doing your math, Mr. Cooney actually put in \$100,000 more than he received from Wealth 15 Assurance Private Client, correct? 16 17 MR. QUIGLEY: Objection. THE COURT: Sustained. 18 19 MS. NOTARI: No further questions. 20 THE COURT: Keep it short, all right? 21 MR. SCHWARTZ: Yes, your Honor. 22 RECROSS EXAMINATION BY MR. SCHWARTZ: 23 24 Can we, please, Mr. Jackson, bring back up 4733 A, at Page
  - 4. This is the charge from the Teneo presentation that Mr.

- 1 | Quigley asked you about and Mr. Touger also asked you about.
- 2 You testified that the money used to finance the
- 3 acquisition of the companies under current acquisitions for
- 4 some if not all of these companies came from Wealth Assurance
- 5 | Private Client, correct?
- 6 MR. QUIGLEY: Objection; misstates his testimony.
- 7 THE COURT: I'll let you clarify, Mr. Dunkerley.
- 8 THE WITNESS: So the money that went to purchase
- 9 | Burnham did not come from Wealth Assurance Private Client, and
- 10 so some of them, yes; and some of them, no.
- 11 BY MR. SCHWARTZ:
- 12 | Q. So some but not all of these, the purchase was financed
- 13 | with money from Wealth Assurance Private Client, true?
- 14 A. Correct.
- 15 | Q. In other words, financed with the proceeds from the WLCC
- 16 | bonds, correct?
- 17 A. Correct.
- 18 | Q. And this is my point. The only people that knew that, to
- 19 | your knowledge, were yourself, Gary Hirst and Jason Galanis,
- 20 | true?
- 21 | A. True.
- 22 | Q. The only people who had access to the Wealth Assurance
- 23 | Private Client bank account were yourself, Gary Hirst and Jason
- 24 | Galanis, true?
- 25 | A. True.

1	Q. And you yourself did not know that you were engaged in a
2	fraud until you saw in the activity of the Wealth Assurance
3	Private Client account where the money was being directed,
4	correct?
5	A. Correct.
6	MR. SCHWARTZ: Thank you very much.
7	REDIRECT EXAMINATION
8	BY MR. QUIGLEY:
9	Q. Mr. Touger asked you some questions about Private Equity
10	Investments. Do you recall that?
11	A. I do.
12	Q. So we're abundantly clear, there was no actual Wealth
13	Assurance Private Client annuity?
14	MR. TOUGER: Objection. May we approach?
15	THE COURT: Sure.
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Dunkerley - redirect

(At sidebar) MR. TOUGER: The money has no foundation in fact. Wealth Assurance Private Client existed. It opened a bank account. Money went in, money went out. They made transactions. They can argue on summation whether it was a fraudulent company or not, but Wealth Assurance Private Client existed for whatever purposes they want to argue, that is fine. THE COURT: That is a factual question. I will let the witness answer. MR. TOUGER: Depending on how he answers it, then there is recross. (Continued on next page) 

1 (In open court) BY MR. QUIGLEY: 2 3 Q. Mr. Dunkerley, with respect to the Wealth Assurance Private 4 Client contract, annuity contracts, no annuity was actually 5 purchased? 6 MR. TOUGER: Objection; foundation, your Honor. 7 THE COURT: What? MR. TOUGER: He has no knowledge of what the annuity 8 9 was. 10 THE COURT: Overruled. Overruled. I already ruled on 11 this. 12 MR. TOUGER: He is talking about the annuity. It is a 13 totally different question. 14 THE COURT: Overruled. 15 THE WITNESS: No annuity was purchased with that money. 16 17 BY MR. OUIGLEY: Q. Although it talks about a private equity manager in the 18 documents, you never got any investment advice from Francisco 19 20 Martin or Private Equity Management? 21 A. Never. 22 Q. You sent that money wherever you were told? 23 A. Yes. 24 MR. QUIGLEY: No further questions. 25 RECROSS EXAMINATION

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1 BY MR. TOUGER:
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- 2 | Q. Mr. Dunkerley, are you familiar with the annuity contract?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. And the annuity contract calls for an investment in private
- 5 | equity, right?
- 6 A. There is, I believe, a clause that allows that to take
- 7 place.
- 8 Q. That's what it is supposed to do, right, find distressed
- 9 companies and buy them, right?
- 10 A. A variable annuity contract.
- 11 Q. The annuity contract in this case and trust indenture in
- 12 | this case says point blank, find distressed companies and buy
- 13 | them, right?
- MR. QUIGLEY: Objection; misstates the record.
- 15 | THE COURT: What was the objection?
- 16 MR. OUIGLEY: Misstates the record and the documents.
- 17 | THE COURT: I will let Mr. Dunkerley answer.
- 18 THE WITNESS: So there are three annuity contracts --
- 19 BY MR. TOUGER:
- 20 | O. Just deal with the first one.
- 21 | A. Okay.
- 22 | Q. It says in the indenture, then find distressed companies,
- even though possibly in bankruptcy, and buy them if you think
- 24 | they're going to be of value more later on, right?
- 25 A. Yes, it does, yes.

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- Q. And would you agree with me that Valor, the purchase of Valor fits that description?
- 3 MR. QUIGLEY: Objection.
- 4 THE COURT: I'll allow it.
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. Would you agree with me that the purchase of Fondinvest
- 7 | fits that description?
- 8 | A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Would you agree with me the purchase of Bonwick Capital
- 10 | fits that description?
- 11 A. Again I don't know that much about the purchase of Bonwick
- 12 | Capital.
- 13 Q. Bonwick Capital is a finance company?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 | Q. It was bought?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 | Q. That much you do know, right?
- 18 A. That much I do know, yes.
- 19 Q. And all those companies were bought with Wealth Assurance
- 20 | Private Client funds?
- 21 A. Again I don't know that much about Bonwick Capital.
- 22 | Q. Take Bonwick Capital out. Talk about Valor and Fondinvest.
- 23 They were bought with Wealth Assurance Private Client
- 24 || funds?
- 25 A. They were.

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- 1 | Q. Which came from the WLCC bonds?
  - A. Yes.

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- Q. And whether you got advice from Mr. Martin or not, those investments match what we just spoke about, correct?

MR. QUIGLEY: Objection.

- 6 THE COURT: Do you understand that question?
- 7 THE WITNESS: Not exactly.
- 8 BY MR. TOUGER:
- 9 Q. No matter who advised the WAPC to buy those funds, it was
- 10 | matched, what we just said in the beginning, was the idea to
- 11 | buy distressed financial companies that you think will be more
- 12 | valuable later, right?
- 13 A. To do a roll-up program would be another way of describing
- 14 it?
- 15 || Q. Yes.
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 | Q. So what WAPC did was to take funds they got from the WLCC
- 18 bonds and buy companies that they were supposed to buy
- 19 | according to the annuity contract and the indenture?
- 20 MR. QUIGLEY: Objection.
- 21 THE COURT: Do you feel qualified to answer these
- 22 | questions based on your knowledge?
- 23 | THE WITNESS: Ah --
- MR. TOUGER: He has already, your Honor. I am just
- 25 | summing up.

Dunkerley - recross

- 1 THE COURT: If you're summing up, you can sit down. 2 MR. TOUGER: It is a sum-up. If he answers the 3 question, I will. 4 THE COURT: If he is not qualified to answer, he 5 shouldn't be answering the questions. You tell us, Mr. Dunkerley. You are the one --6 7 THE WITNESS: I am qualified, but they're complicated 8 answers. They're not simple. 9 THE COURT: Just answer it in your own words. 10 MR. TOUGER: I withdraw that question and I'll break 11 it down to make it easier. 12 THE COURT: All right. 13 BY MR. TOUGER: 14 Q. You already testified just a few minutes ago that the idea 15 was to buy distressed private equity assets that is believed to be worth money more later on, right? 16 17 MR. QUIGLEY: Objection. 18 Q. Is that correct? 19 THE COURT: I'll let you answer that. Did you testify 20 to that? 21 THE WITNESS: I did testify to that. 22 BY MR. TOUGER: 23 And the purchase of Valor Life meets that definition? 24 Α. Correct.
  - Q. And the purchase of Bonwick Capital meets that definition?

Dunkerley - redirect

- 1 A. Again, Bonwick is something --
- 2 Q. Excuse me. I didn't mean to say Bonwick Capital. The
- 3 purchase of Fondinvest meets that definition?
- 4 | A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Those funds were purchased after the bond proceeds came
- 6 | into the WAPC?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 MR. TOUGER: Nothing more.
- 9 THE COURT: Any additional questions?
- 10 MR. QUIGLEY: Very briefly.
- 11 | REDIRECT EXAMINATION
- 12 BY MR. QUIGLEY:
- 13 | Q. Fondinvest, who owned Fondinvest?
- 14 A. A firm called Newline Trading, which I effectively owned
- 15  $\parallel$  the majority of.
- 16 Q. Not the Wealth Assurance Private Client Corporation?
- 17 A. Correct.
- 18 Q. Not the Wakpamni Lake Community Corporation?
- 19 A. Correct.
- 20 | O. Who owned Valor Life?
- 21 | A. The Wealth Assurance Holdings bought Valor Life.
- 22 | Q. Not Wealth Assurance Private Client?
- 23 A. Correct.
- 24 | Q. Not the Wakpamni Lake Community?
- 25 A. Correct.

I66JGAL2 Dunkerley - recross 1 MR. QUIGLEY: Nothing further. RECROSS EXAMINATION 2 BY MR. TOUGER: 3 4 Q. All those entities were involved in the Burnham Financial 5 roll-up plan, correct? 6 A. Correct. 7 Q. And the plan was to then sell that plan, that roll-up plan to one large buyer, right? 8 9 MR. QUIGLEY: Objection; beyond the scope. 10 MR. TOUGER: I'm getting to the point. 11 THE COURT: Yes, okay. You can ask it, but I want you 12 to move on and sit down. 13 MR. TOUGER: I am moving them as quick as I can. BY MR. TOUGER: 14 Think idea was to sell Burnham to one big buyer, right? 15 Ο. MR. QUIGLEY: The same objection. 16 17 THE COURT: Overruled. 18 Α. Yes. 19 And then everybody would reap their profits? Q. 20 Α. Yes. 21 MR. TOUGER: Nothing else. 22 THE COURT: Anything else from the government? 23 MR. QUIGLEY: No, your Honor. 24 THE COURT: Thank you. You can step down.

(Witness excused)

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THE COURT: Would the parties like me to read the joint stipulation or take a break and read it later.

MR. QUIGLEY: Please read it now.

THE COURT: Ladies and gentlemen, this is a joint stipulation that all of the parties have asked me to read, and it reads:

It is hereby stipulated and agreed by and among the United States of America, by Robert Khuzami, United States Attorney for the United States, acting under authority conferred by 28 United States Code 515, Rebecca Mermelstein, Brendan F. Quigley and Negar Tekeei, Assistant United States Attorneys, of counsel, and John Galanis, a/k/a Yanni, the defendant, by and with the consent of his attorney, David Touger; Devon Archer, by and with the consent of his attorney, Matthew Schwartz; and Bevan Cooney, the defendant, by and with the consent of his attorney, Paula Notari, that:

- 1. On or about January 19th, 2017, Jason Galanis pled guilty in this case to: One, conspiracy to commit securities fraud; two, securities fraud; and, three, conspiracy to commit investment adviser fraud.
- 2. On or about May 15th, 2018, Gary Hirst pled guilty in this case to: One, conspiracy to commit securities fraud; two, securities fraud; three, conspiracy to commit investment adviser fraud; and, four, investment adviser fraud.
  - 3. On or about May 16th, 2018, Michelle Morton pled

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quilty in this case to: One, conspiracy to commit securities
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      fraud; and, two, conspiracy to commit investment adviser fraud.
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               It is further stipulated and agreed by and among the
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      parties that this stipulation is admissible as a joint exhibit
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      at trial. It is dated today.
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               Do you know the exhibit numbers or should we advise
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      them later?
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               MR. TOUGER: We'll agree on one afterwards.
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               THE COURT: Why don't we take a short break.
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               MR. SCHWARTZ: Your Honor, there is an instruction
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      that goes along with the stipulation.
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               THE COURT: Thank you for reminding me.
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               I should have added that the evidence contained in the
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      stipulation that I just read to you is being admitted solely to
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      assist you in assessing the credibility of statements made by
      Jason Galanis, Michelle Morton and Gary Hirst. I instruct you
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      that you are to consider it for no other purpose.
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               Thank you. Why don't we take our short break now.
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               (Jury excused)
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               THE COURT: Try to come back at noon.
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               MR. SCHWARTZ: Can we get the witness order for the
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      remainder of the day?
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               THE COURT: Talk among yourselves.
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MR. QUIGLEY: So what we intend to do, is to read in a variety of different e-mails. We're going to do it -- I think this has been alluded to before -- but our intention is to have an agent and myself kind of do the back-and-forth. There is a microphone there, we can have an agent in the witness box but who would not be sworn as a witness, just consistent with the way I have done it in other trials. I just want to be clear.

THE COURT: OK. Any objection?

MR. SCHWARTZ: No, as long as we can cross-examine within the scope of the documents.

MR. QUIGLEY: He is not being sworn as a witness.

MR. TOUGER: I think the agent should be sworn. He is reading something into testimony; I think he should be sworn.

MR. QUIGLEY: We are publishing documents to the jury.

THE COURT: Yes, I think it's just a way of publishing documents. I don't think it's proper to cross-examine him.

You can call the agent on your own case if you have something to ask him.

MR. SCHWARTZ: Well, we may have completeness issues.

THE COURT: That's a different story.

MR. TOUGER: That's why I think he should be sworn though, your Honor.

MR. SCHWARTZ: Right. I'm not going to cross-examine him beyond the scope of whatever he's reading. And I guess you've done it differently than I have. When I've done it,

it's been a paralegal from the office who gets sworn; they don't know anything about the case but they're just reading the documents, and that circumscribes the scope of cross-examination. If they want to do it a different way, that's fine.

But, you know, there may be issues on these documents and I think we're entitled to go into it. Otherwise, they can just move the documents into evidence but then they don't get the theater of having a live person read them for an hour.

THE COURT: I think it's fine to have a live person reading. I mean I have seen mostly with a paralegal, but I don't think it matters if it's an F.B.I. agent.

I think if there is a completeness issue, you should raise the completeness issue and ask him to read other documents that are in evidence, but if you want to ask him substantive questions, you should do it on your own case.

MR. SCHWARTZ: Right, understood.

THE COURT: But I mean is it the scope? I mean I would have thought again this is something you could have figured out beforehand. I mean you know what documents they're reading, right? So what are the completeness issues? Why don't you ask him to read all of them.

MR. SCHWARTZ: No, I would prefer that I do it.

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THE COURT: You what?

MR. SCHWARTZ: I would prefer that I do it.

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MR. QUIGLEY: He can do that in his defense case. 1 THE COURT: Yes, I think that's right. Are they 2 3 literally parts of the same documents, or are they different 4 documents? If they're different documents, do it on your case; 5 if it's part of the same document, I am OK with it. 6 MS. MERMELSTEIN: Your Honor --7 MR. SCHWARTZ: I'm happy to make a proffer on the I don't want to tell them what I want to do. 8 side. 9 MS. MERMELSTEIN: Your Honor --10 MR. SCHWARTZ: But it is absolutely within the scope 11 of what they are doing. 12 THE COURT: I don't think so. 13 MR. SCHWARTZ: Can I --14 THE COURT: Again, if for completeness only a portion 15 of a document is read, and you want him to read the rest of the document, I think that is fair; but if you're asking him to 16 17 read other documents you think are relevant, you should save 18 that for your case.

MR. SCHWARTZ: Right.

MS. MERMELSTEIN: Respectfully, I don't agree with that. I think that this is — first of all, I think this is an incredibly standard practice in this District. I have done it before your Honor other times; we did this in the previous Galanis case. And I think there has been really an inappropriate effort to try and insert the defense case into

the government's case, that the remarking of every exhibit with a defense exhibit sticker so that everything --

If the government wants to offer certain evidence and point the jury to certain things, then we can do that. If they want to call someone to read e-mails, that's fine. If they want to ask us to read a certain portion for rule of completeness purposes --

THE COURT: That's all I said.

MR. SCHWARTZ: But Mr. Schwartz is saying, no, no, no, you don't get to know what I want to do, and then I during the government's case get to point the jury to this is what they didn't show you.

If he wants to put someone on to read e-mails in his case, of course we have no objection, and he can point them to those parts, but we're reading e-mails now. They have had these e-mails; we've identified them a week ago; they never said anything. I don't think it's fair to have it be that in the middle of the government's case they're pointing to other portions.

THE COURT: I think that's a fair point. What I'm going to do is I'm going to give you five minutes now; talk about the things that you want read that you think they're not going to read. I mean have you talked about this?

MR. QUIGLEY: We sent them a list of exhibits on May 28, Memorial Day.

THE COURT: But are you reading the entirety of those exhibits?

MR. QUIGLEY: For most of them, yes.

THE COURT: And for the ones that you're not -because as I said, with respect to rule of completeness I was
only going to allow reading more of the same document.

MR. QUIGLEY: For example, there are documents, there are e-mails that attach an indenture. We are obviously not going to read the entire indenture into evidence. But in terms of the e-mails, the e-mails themselves, our intention is to read in most cases all of the e-mail. In some cases we may not read all of the e-mail because it's a continuation of a subsequent chain. But in the e-mails we intend to read in we intend to read by and large the entirety of the e-mail.

THE COURT: I have to say I agree with the government on this; they can present their case the way they want to present it. All I had in mind is if there was an extra line here and there that wasn't going to be read, that you wanted it read in context of the statement, I was going to be OK with that. But if you're going to really try and cross-examine him, I don't think that's proper, and I don't think it matters if he is an F.B.I. agent or a paralegal for that purpose, because all you're talking about is reading portions of the documents which you can have read on your case.

MR. SCHWARTZ: I'm not going to really cross-examine

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him; I'm going to offer under the rule of completeness 1 additional information. 2 THE COURT: OK. So can we talk with those issues now 3 4 so that all of it will be read at one time? 5 MR. SCHWARTZ: But, look --6 THE COURT: I don't think this is proper cross. 7 MR. SCHWARTZ: Here is the issue, your Honor, with respect. They have chosen to put on a misleading presentation 8 9 of the evidence, and I don't want to correct their mistakes so 10 that it can seem as if that's what they had intended to do all 11 along. I want to be able to point out the fact that that's 12 what they're doing. 13 MR. QUIGLEY: But that's what the defense case is for. 14 MR. TOUGER: Can I talk to cocounsel?

THE COURT: Sure.

MS. MERMELSTEIN: What rule of completeness issue when the entire thing is being put into evidence?

MR. TOUGER: Besides this, I think the witness should be sworn.

THE COURT: I disagree with you.

MR. TOUGER: You disagree?

THE COURT: I disagree with you, yes. I can swear the witness to say do you swear that you will read the material to the best of your knowledge the way we swear in an interpreter. I can do that.

1	MR. TOUGER: Exactly.									
2	THE COURT: That's fine. I don't think that's									
3	necessary but I will do it.									
4	MR. TOUGER: That's what I ask.									
5	THE COURT: So, are there particular lines pursuant									
6	to the rule of completeness you want to be read?									
7	MR. SCHWARTZ: Your Honor									
8	THE COURT: Otherwise, I agree with the government you									
9	should do it on your case.									
10	MR. SCHWARTZ: Look, I will do it on my case unless									
11	the jury can be instructed that the additional information is									
12	being read at my request.									
13	MR. QUIGLEY: It's in his case; it will be obvious.									
14	THE COURT: Just do it in your case.									
15	MR. SCHWARTZ: OK.									
16	MS. NOTARI: I have just one, and it's completely what									
17	you're saying.									
18	THE COURT: Sure.									
19	MS. NOTARI: So I want to just do it that way.									
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21	MS. NOTARI: I don't want to preview.									
22	THE COURT: That's the thing. I mean if you want it									
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that portion now at one time. But this is a witness who is

just reading documents that are arready in evidence. 50, in
terms of how the government wants to present its case, I'm
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you want to tell me what it is, tell them what it is, and let
us know, and if they don't have an objection, then we will do
both.

MS. NOTARI: Your Honor, I think they should read it, and then I will give it to you and then the agent can read it.

MR. QUIGLEY: They can read it in the defense case.

THE COURT: I agree with the government, otherwise you can read it in the defense case. It's in evidence. If you want to highlight it during the defense case, you can do it.

Or you can ask them to do it right now, and they will do it right now all together. But this kind of gamesmanship I don't think is appropriate with this witness.

MR. SCHWARTZ: Could I just ask, you're intending to read all of the ones you had identified in those e-mails?

MR. QUIGLEY: I mean anything we're reading, we're intending to offer -- anything we're offering, we're intending to read the entirety of the e-mail.

MR. SCHWARTZ: My question is when you do this right now -- you had sent us -- you sent us originally a long list.

MR. QUIGLEY: I did cut that down somewhat.

MR. SCHWARTZ: That's my question. I need to know the subset.

MR. QUIGLEY: So, 811, 813, 917, 925, 938, 943, 1220, 1235, 1267, 2011, 20818, 2023, 2024, 2026, 2027, 2028, 2029, 2030, 2031, 2034, 2035, 2069, 2111, 2212, 2213, 2215, 2216, 2217, 2224, 2299, 2633 and 2120.

MR. SCHWARTZ: Say the last three again.

MR. QUIGLEY: 2299, 2633 and 2120.

MR. TOUGER: Your Honor, I would just ask concerning the e-mails that the whole e-mail be read. They didn't tell us which ones they edited.

MR. QUIGLEY: We sent this over on May 28.

MR. TOUGER: I'm not talking about that. You didn't tell us which e-mails you're not reading the whole thing.

THE COURT: Look, I'm going to let them do it the way they want to do it. We can have a sidebar when they're done. If there are particular portions you think need to be read, we can talk about it at sidebar.

But, as I said earlier, I agree generally with the government's approach that they should be able to present their case the way they want to present it. But, again, if you know that there is an extra sentence or two, or a portion that you think needs to be read, it should be read.

As I think about it, the issue with swearing in the agent is that Mr. Quigley is not being sworn in, so there is an awkwardness, but I also don't see any harm in having him swear or affirm that he will read the documents to the best of his

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               MR. QUIGLEY: That's fine, your Honor.
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               Do you want the agent to step up?
               THE COURT: Yes, please.
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               MR. QUIGLEY: Moving them in now.
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               THE COURT: Pursuant to a stipulation.
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               MR. QUIGLEY: We have authenticity stipulations. I
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      would say all of them are either statements of defendant or
      statements of Mr. Galanis. There are a couple that are
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               MR. QUIGLEY: Your Honor, we move those documents into
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      evidence.
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               THE COURT: All right. Just note them for the record,
     please so the jury can hear the numbers.
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               MR. QUIGLEY: Can I ask him to state his name for the
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     record.
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               AGENT KROLL: Nicholas Kroll, N-I-C-H-O-L-A-S
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               MR. QUIGLEY: For the record, Mr. Kroll and I will be
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      reading a series of documents.
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      2035, 2069, 2111, 2212, 2213, 2215, 2216, 2217, 2224, 2229,
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               THE COURT: Any objection?
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               MR. SCHWARTZ: No objection, your Honor.
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      2035 received in evidence)
               (Government Exhibits 2069, 2111, 2212, 2213, 2215
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               THE COURT: You will may proceed. Just bring in the
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     microphone close. Thank you.
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               MR. QUIGLEY: Can we publish what is in evidence as
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      Government Exhibit 2011.
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               Mr. Kroll will you read this e-mail?
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               AGENT KROLL: This e-mail is to Devon Archer and Bevan
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      Cooney from Holmby, sent Friday, April 4, 2014, at 3:17 p.m.,
      subject Oglala Native Spirits memo.docx.
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               $20 million bond approved. Proceeds are $15 million
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      to us and $5 million to them for a winery investment that they
     want to make.
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               MR. QUIGLEY: Mr. Wissman, can we publish the
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      attachment, both pages. Then the next page.
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               MR. SCHWARTZ: Can we have this read out loud, your
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               MR. QUIGLEY: Sure.
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               THE COURT: Were you planning on reading it out loud?
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MR. QUIGLEY: I was not, but we're happy to.
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               THE COURT: It's up to you. If you want to read it,
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      go ahead; if you don't, defense can do it on defendant's case.
               MR. QUIGLEY: Read the attachment.
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               THE COURT: But let's not give directions at this
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     point.
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               MR. SCHWARTZ: I'm sorry, I thought they intended to.
               THE COURT: That's all right. Go ahead.
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               MR. QUIGLEY: Mr. Kroll, can you read the attachment.
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               AGENT KROLL: Sure. "This is a Dilworth Paxson
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      memorandum to Burnham from Dilworth Paxson LLP/Timothy
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      Anderson; subject Oglala Native Spirits Sovereign Bond Issue,
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      dated April 4, 2014.
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               It states: This memorandum addresses the structure of
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      the proposed Oglala Native Spirits Bond Issue. The structure
      entails the issuance of $20 million of Sovereign governmental
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      bonds ("bonds") by the Wakpamni Lake Community Corporation, the
      Economic Development Corporation of the Wakpamni Lake Community
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      ("community"), a governmental division of the Oglala Sioux
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      Tribe of the Pine Ridge Reservation, South Dakota.
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      proceeds from the bonds will be used for the construction and
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      operation of a winery in Dry Creek, California; the purchase of
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      a single premium annuity to enhance tribal social services; and
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      the payment of costs relating to the issuance of the bonds.
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Wakpamni Lake Community Corporation ("Wakpamni"),

pursuant to its article of incorporation as duly approved by the community on behalf of the tribe, has the power "to borrow or loan, to issue the evidence of indebtedness, and to repay the same." Article VI (7)(g). Articles of incorporation. The bonds will be sovereign governmental bonds and will be exempt from securities registration under one or more private placement exemptions to the securities laws.

Proceeds of the bonds shall be held under the trust indenture pending payment of project costs. Any earnings on investments while held under the trust shall accrue tax free to the tribe, pursuant to Internal Revenue Code Section 115 as well as the other provisions of federal tax policy relating to Indian tribes. The bonds will be secured by a first lien on winery revenue and equipment and the annuity payments. In addition, a "Cinderella" provision shall automatically reduce the rate of the bonds to some pre-determined reset rate in the event a BIA guarantee is obtained post-closing.

The winery project will be jointly owned by Wakpamni and a Hayes investment subsidiary to be determined, 51 percent to 49 percent (SPE). This ownership model will preserve the status as a "tribal" project. The winery will be located on a parcel of land leased by the SPE from Dry Creek Tribe in California. Both the lease and subleases will be of a duration at least equal to the final maturity date on the bonds. A warehouse/distribution center will be built at Pine Ridge as

part of the winery business.

MR. QUIGLEY: Thank you, Mr. Kroll. Can we now publish what is in evidence as Government Exhibit 2120. And, Agent Kroll, I will read the bottom e-mail, you can read the middle one, and I will read the top one again.

On April 4, 2014, at 8:17 a.m., Holmby, jason@holmbycompanies wrote \$20 million bond approved.

Proceeds are \$15 million to us and \$5 million to them for a winery investment they want to make.

AGENT KROLL: And the e-mail response sent April 4, 2014 at 11:38 a.m. from Bevan Cooney to Holmby cc Devon Archer, subject Oglala Native Spirits memo. What do we get to do with the 15 million?

MR. QUIGLEY: From Jason, Jason@holmbycompanies.com, sent Friday April 4, 2014 at 8:44 a.m., to Bevan Cooney, cc Devon Archer, subject Oglala Native Spirits memo.

Discretionary.

If we can now publish what is in evidence as Government Exhibit 2018. And I will read the bottom e-mail, it's actually duplicated. You can scroll up. I will read the bottom e-mail, and if you could read the top e-mail, Agent Kroll.

From Jason Galanis, jason@holmbycompanies.com, date
May 9, 2014 at 10:40:18 a.m. PDT to Devon Archer, Andrew
Godfrey, cc Bevan, subject Hughes Asset Management. Arthur

Chacabordy brought us an RIA to acquire, possibly useful, \$1.0 billion AUM, all fixed income, \$52 clients, all institutional, four employees, \$2 million revenue, \$800K expense, can buy for one time seven fee. \$3.4 million with 70 percent down. The deal referral comes from two competent sounding marketing people, résumés attached. Structure would need to continue the minority owned status. Based in Washington D.C.

AGENT KROLL: Next e-mail.

Subject: Forward Hughes Asset Management from Bevan, sent Friday, May 9, 2014 at 10:43. To Lucas Mann.

The Greek machine gun continues to fire ... with attachments Richard Deary pdf and Michelle A. Morton pdf.

MR. QUIGLEY: If we go to Government Exhibit 2111, and I will begin reading from the e-mail from Chris Schwartz. We will not read the press highlights below that.

On December 15, 2013 at 10:29 a.m. Chris Schwartz wrote: Jason, I have attached the proposal you requested. It details our recommended solutions, the benefits to you, the cost involved to mitigate the effects of negative content currently appearing in your search results. As I mentioned on the phone call, I can reduce the fender package by 20 percent while providing you with a discount of \$2,000 off our Google auto complete service. Please review the attachments and I can address any questions you have. Feel free to contact me with any questions by e-mail or phone. I will give you a call in a

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Can you read the e-mail from Jason Galanis to Chris Schwartz on Thursday, December 5, 2013 at 11:18 a.m.?

AGENT KROLL: From Jason Galanis, sent Thursday

December 5, 2013 at 11:18 a.m. to Chris Schwartz, subject
reputation.com proposal.

Chris, I don't see your proposal attached, just product sheets.

MR. QUIGLEY: From Chris Schwartz, subject reputation.com proposal, date December 5, 2013 at 11:44 a.m. to Jason Galanis.

Hello Jason, attached is the proposal detailing the defender service and Google auto complete issue. Pricing is based on the recommended value of both services. Please let me know if you have any questions. Kind regards, Chris Schwartz.

AGENT KROLL: On April 11, 2014 at 10:37 p.m., Jason Galanis wrote:

This is a proposal I got in December and did nothing about. \$12,000. So I have the Equities Magazine writer chunking out content. Could hire reputation.com below.

Arben's team is humping. Could hire the consultant as well.

MR. QUIGLEY: Next e-mail from Devon Archer, Saturday, 12th of April, 2014, 07:13:07 to so Jason Galanis, re:

reputation.com proposal.

I think this is a worthwhile investment. Don't get me wrong in that I enjoy defending you but it might be nicer if it wasn't as challenging. Let's do this.

AGENT KROLL: Response to Devon Archer from jason@holmbycompanies.com, sent Saturday, April 12, 2014 at 3 p.m., subject reputation.com proposal.

OK I'm going all in on it. The professionals tell me the bad content is old so is defeatable.

MR. QUIGLEY: If we could publish what is in evidence as Government Exhibit 1220, and just read the second to top e-mail from Timothy Anderson to Jason.

AGENT KROLL: E-mail from Timothy Anderson, subject Oglala, dated May 20, 2014 at 9:33 a.m. PDT, to Jason at Burnhamequitiespartners.com.

Jason, upon reflecting on things, I'm determining if the tribe can find special counsel and then I could represent Burnham, which I think would make this go more smoothly. Are you in agreement? Tim.

MR. QUIGLEY: Top e-mail from Jason Galanis to Devon Archer, Bevan, forward Oglala, Tuesday May 20, 2014, 1:56:32 p.m. See string.

Moving the \$20 million sovereign nation debt issued.

Publish what is in evidence as Government Exhibit

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AGENT KROLL: An e-mail from Jason Galanis dated June 3, 2014 at 11:04 a.m. PDT, to Michelle Morton.

For Frankie when appropriate to demonstrate who your financial sponsors are. Jason.

MR. QUIGLEY: On June 3, 2014 at 4:58 p.m., Jason Galanis, jason@holmbycompanies wrote:

Whoring it out shamelessly. Thank you, Steve.

AGENT KROLL: Subject, forward from Bevan, sent Tuesday, June 3, 2014, at 17:32 to Jason Galanis.

It has to be done.

MR. QUIGLEY: Can we publish what is in evidence as Government Exhibit 1235. I will read this one.

From Jason Galanis, 6/20/2014, 12:13:06 a.m. to Devon Archer, Bevan.

Arch, the Indians signed our engagement. Here is their counsel from Greenberg. Nothing for you to do at this point but giving you a heads-up. The use of proceeds is to place the bond proceeds into a Wealth Assurance annuity. Maybe good for GT to know that you are associated with the insurance company at the right moment. Not necessary, but might be nice icing on the cake. By the way, annuity proceeds get invested by an appointed manager on a discretionary basis on a 20 year contract. Hercules has been appointed. Greek.

Can we publish what is in evidence as Government Exhibit 2023.

AGENT KROLL: To Devon Archer and Bevan from Jason Galanis, sent Saturday, July 5, 2014 at 3:59 p.m., subject Oglala Trust Indenture (2) pdf with an attachment of Oglala Trust Indenture pdf.

We got U.S. Bank to act as trustee for the bond issue. GT is issuer counsel, as I mentioned. Tribe counsel met and approved the issue. Shooting for end of the month. Lots to accomplish to finesse this over the line. I'm not counting the money yet, but I'm encouraged by the quality fo the work and the professionalism from everyone I'm coordinating. If we perform, there are several other things we can do with them that are potentially interesting. My primary objective is to get us a source of discretionary liquidity. Sick of begging.

MR. QUIGLEY: And, Mr. Wissman, while keeping that up, can we also put up the attachment, the first page of the attachment.

Can we publish what is in evidence as Government Exhibit 2024, and can we go to page 3 of the document and continue from the e-mail that we just had read, about the source of the discretionary liquidity, and I will read on July 5, 2014, at 9:06 a.m., Devon Archer wrote:

Unreal. This is just a testament to taking a portfolio approach to pursuing opportunity (a/k/a) the ping pong method). Unreal as you never know where the nuggets pop up.

AGENT KROLL: E-mail response, cc'ing Jason Galanis to

Devon Archer from Bevan, sent Saturday, July 5, 2014 at 1800 p.m. Subject Oglala Trust Indentures (2) pdf.

The Greek.

MR. QUIGLEY: If we can go to the second page, the image that's in Mr. Cooney's e-mail.

Can we go publish what is in evidence as Government Exhibit 2026 and continue reading up from the e-mail above "The Greek."

AGENT KROLL: On July 5, 2014 at 9:19 a.m. Devon Archer wrote phonetic laughter, Hahahahaha.

MR. QUIGLEY: July 5, 2014 at 12:20 p.m. Jason Galanis wrote:

On a semi serious note, you guys as partners are enabling so much more, and I am eternally appreciate. We've laid the foundation, as importantly we know the ground rules and the strengths and weak spots now. With dry powder in our control, we will be scary effect.

AGENT KROLL: From Devon Archer to Jason Galanis, cc'ing Bevon, subject Oglala Trust Indentures (2) pdf, sent Saturday, July 5, 2014, 16:34.

Appreciate that Jack. And completely correct.

MR. QUIGLEY: Can we publish what is in evidence as Government Exhibit 2027. I will read the bottom e-mail. From Koehnf at gtlaw.com sent Friday, July 11, 2014, 1:08 p.m. to Raycen Raines, Deb Bluberg, H. Dunkerley,

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AGENT KROLL: Response from Devon Archer, dated Saturday, July 12, 2014 at 2:18 to Jason Galanis, subject Wakpamni Lake Community Corporation Distribution List.

From your lips to Gods ears. July 31 is right around the corner.

MR. QUIGLEY: From jason@holmbycompanies sent 7/12/2014, 2:55 a.m. to Devon Archer re Wakpamni Lake Community

Corporation Distribution List.

So close. Cliff is running the stall for me on NYC mansion. I want to be here and won't live in 1750 square foot cage. Massively motivated.

Can we publish what is in evidence as Government Exhibit 2213. From Frankie Hughes, date Wednesday July 16, 2014 at 12:56 p.m., subject e-mailing term sheet pdf to Michelle Morton.

Good afternoon, Michelle. Attached please find the document we discussed. I will sent over the client information shortly. I'm working on getting the data room set up and saw your need for access for six. As soon as I have more details, I'll let you know. Best, Frankie.

AGENT KROLL: Forwarded message from Michelle Morton, subject executed HCM term sheet dated July 16, 2014, 10:02 a.m. PDT, to Richard Deary, Jason Galanis.

It's here. It's here. Hurray. I will sent the other information as soon as I receive it.

MR. QUIGLEY: On July 16, 2014 at 2:32 p.m., Jason Galanis wrote:

Gents, Greek is forging ahead for us. See attached term sheet for the acquisition of \$100 percent of Hughes

Capital Management. Firm manages \$900 million on a discretionary basis for 28 institutional clients, pensions and endowments. Need to determine where the \$2.647 million for the

acquisition is getting allocated from. It is a minority owned firm now, and will continue to be so with our partner Michelle Morton. There are a great number of minority opportunities for affirmative action type allocation to a fixed income shop like this. The group we are sponsoring are amazing marketers with a track record in the institutional world. Richard raised \$6 billion for his last firm, which was Hispanic owned, this is black woman, which I am told there are more mandates for.

Sug said Villaragosa would be interested in the board as well and could open doors as well as Magic's guy who sit on Banc of California.

By the way, the firm is highly profitable as is. Small money overall, but a cash flow positive asset. What a concept.

We have agreed to give the firm an opportunity to participate in Native American bond new issues. I believe they will take \$28 million of the Wakpamni Oglala Sioux issue that Greenberg Traurig is working on. Jason.

AGENT KROLL: Response e-mail from Devon Archer, cc'ing Bevan, to Jason Galanis, sent Wednesday, July 16, 2014 at 8:12 p.m. Subject, executed HCH term sheet.

This is very encouraging.

MR. QUIGLEY: If we go to Government Exhibit 2030 and read above the e-mail we just read after "Gents, Greek is forging ahead for us."

AGENT KROLL: Cc'ing Devon Archer to Jason Galanis, from Bevan, sent Wednesday, July 16, 2014 at 7:15 p.m., subject executed HCM term sheet:

West Coast offense charging down the field.

MR. QUIGLEY: Can we publish what is in evidence as Government Exhibit 2031. Go to the bottom e-mail from jason@holmbycompanies.com date Saturday, 19th July 2014, 02:55:10 to Rory Knight, reply to Jason at holmbycompanies.com, cc Jason Sugarman.

Rory, DB and Jason spoke. J asked me to relay that it all played perfectly. Came off as a limited issuer specific problem and not a jurisdictional or other bigger issue. Warg did us a massive favor. So, next element is for the executive chairman to speak with DB directly. Main and almost only message is growth plan; they care about size.

To that end, they like funding 100 percent of Valorlife including the CHF 30 million intended for the special divident. This gets the facility to around CHF 45 to 47 million, which is barely their minimum. Would be imperative to explain the growth plans — sorry — growth plans. That said, Jason and I do not believe we are obliged to tell the name or jurisdiction of any target. Specifically we think we hold it close, as we know there is institutional leakage with information. It is the nature of large banks. So ... excellent large opportunity. We're also using Valor pacing as

tool to push them, which they said is fine. We want the credit originated in the near term. Let's get you and he on the phone on Saturday, his request. They are deadly serious.

Next e-mail up.

AGENT KROLL: From jason@holmbycompanies.com dated Saturday, July 19, 2014 at 4:28, to Devon Archer, reply to Jason at holmbycompanies.com, subject forward.

Working on credit line. Not mutually exclusive to Harvest ... at all. May help. I am in closing docs on 28 million with GT. Close. Could fall apart but close. Arben good for 10D a month. Give me entity. BHR is still making my head swim.

MR. QUIGLEY: Next e-mail up. July 19, 2014 at 12:30 a.m., jason@holmbycompanies wrote:

Idea ... if I get this 28 million, I have 12 to 15 million to put into WAH. WAH will have 70 million in cash. Would perhaps buy Karlsson \$1550 million note for 15 million markup for capital purposes. Thoughts?

AGENT KROLL: Response from Devon Archer, dated Saturday, July 19, 2014, at 11:01 to jason@holmbycompanies.com, subject re: The Precious.

I'm not sure can I take anymore of the Precious. It's incredibly capital intensive greenfield work, but let's discuss because there is also a lot of blue sky.

MR. QUIGLEY: Next e-mail from

jason@holmbycompanies.com to Devon Archer, Saturday, July 19, 2014, 1:12:59 p.m., re the precious.

Me either. Tom Hanks starring in The Money Pit but it's got a multibillion appraisal. Surely with a five year hold with a tiny basis we could consider.

Next Government Exhibit 2034. I will read this one. From jason@holmbycompanies.com to Devon Archer, Bevan Cooney, Monday, 8/11/2014, 3:30:46 p.m. WAGG wired \$2.76 million today to close Hughes.

Publish what is in evidence as Government Exhibit 2609, and can you read this one, Agent Kroll?

AGENT KROLL: To Daniel Turney, cc'ing Frankie Hughes, Richard Deary, from Michelle Morton, sent Monday, August 11, 2014 at 9:26 p.m. Subject Gary Hirst and Hugh Dunkerley.

Daniel, Gary Hirst will be joining us as our portfolio management consultant. His primary focus will be to analyze the investment process and help us improve the investment returns and expand our product offerings so that we can grow assets. As part of this process he will want to sot down with the investment staff to get specific information. He will probably arrive late morning. Let's touch base about the best way to present the information. Since the information required will be precise, I don't know if the due diligence meeting is the best forum, but we will take direction from you.

The other person joining us is Hugh Dunkerley, who

represents our investor. He will be observing the transition.

He will likely arrive late morning as well. Michelle.

MR. QUIGLEY: If we go to what is in evidence as

Government Exhibit 1267, and we will read just from the e-mail,
the second e-mail from Andrew Maher, subject forward CUSIP
confirmation, Wakpamni Lake Community Corp. S D, SPL LTD REV,
August 13, 2014 to jason@burnhamequitypartners,
keithhenselen@usbank.com, mikes@rs-law.com, cc Timothy
Anderson.

Below please find the CUSIP for the WLCC bonds.

Next e-mail.

AGENT KROLL: Forwarded from Jason Galanis, sent
Wednesday, August 13, 2014 at 11:59 a.m. to Devon Archer and
Bevan. Subject CUSIP confirmation: Wakpamni Lake Community
Corp. S D SPL LTD REV.

Closing soon.

MR. QUIGLEY: Publish what is in evidence as Government Exhibit 2217.

AGENT KROLL: From Bevan, cc'ing Devon Archer, subject Wilma Standingbear and Geneva Lonehill have fully executed the agreements. Sent Friday, August 15, 2014 at 20:52 to Jason Galanis.

This is pure genius, Native American bonds. Great work here Greek.

MR. QUIGLEY: Publish what is in evidence as

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Government Exhibit 2299. Just publish that side by side with the attachment.

Can we publish what is in evidence as Government Exhibit 2035, and I will read from the bottom.

From Timothy Anderson to Keith Henselen, usbank.com, cc Timothy Anderson, 08/28/2014, 10:45 a.m., subject Wakpamni Second Tranche.

Keith, this should be everything, Tim.

AGENT KROLL: From Keith Henselen sent Thursday,
August 28, 2014 at 2:12 p.m., to Timothy Anderson, subject
Wakpamni Second Tranche.

Tim, attached are copies of the fully executed first

Supp Ind and closing statement. Copies of bonds are being

e-mailed now and original bonds sent per delivery instructions.

Thanks. Keith Henselen.

MR. QUIGLEY: From Timothy Anderson, subject forward Wakpamni Second Tranche, date August 28, 2014 to Jason Galanis.

Well on our way. Second annuity wire to go out this afternoon.

Can you read that, agent?

AGENT KROLL: From Timothy Anderson, forward Wakpamni Second Tranche, dated August 28, 2014 at 11:33 a.m. PDT, to Jason Galanis.

Well on our way. Second annuity wire to go out this afternoon. Tim.

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MR. QUIGLEY: I believe there is one e-mail above this from Jason Galanis to Devon Archer, Saturday, 8/30/2014 at 4:18:17 a.m., forward Wakpamni Second Tranche, attaching closing statement pdf, first supplemental indenture pdf. Closed second tranche. Your Honor, this would be a good time to break. THE COURT: Yes, I think this is a good time. Ladies and gentlemen, let's break for lunch. Just remember don't discuss the case and keep an open mind. Thank you. (Continued on next page) 

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THE COURT: OK. We will resume at 2.

(Jury not present)

MR. QUIGLEY: For the record, we will call a witness right after lunch. It will be Leo Griffin.

THE COURT: All right. Thank you.

I do have one issue I want to raise. That's juror 7 asked a question of Ms. Cavale. She said do defendants -- he said this -- he said: Do defendants ever testify?

What I would like to do in response is read the language essentially that was in the jury questionnaire and just say:

I understand a juror asked a question about whether defendants ever testified. Under our Constitution, a defendant dolls not have to testify, because the burden of proof beyond a reasonable doubt remains with the government at all times.

If a defendant does not testify, the jury may not draw any unfavorable inference against that defendant based on that decision. That fact cannot enter at all into the jury's deliberations.

Is everyone OK with that?

MR. SCHWARTZ: Yes, your Honor.

MS. MERMELSTEIN: One thing while we're addressing instructions to the jury, I guess, which is it's Juror 6 -- 5 -- Ms. Miscevic, has with some frequency during the trial spoken to the lawyer who is at the podium. I think all of the

lawyers have handled that with as much grace as a person can do. It's awkward because you can't respond, and she is sitting right there.

I think it might be useful at a time that the court is otherwise giving generic instructions to remind the jurors that the lawyers aren't going to speak to the parties even in the courtroom directly, and so if they have any questions, whatever, something generic.

THE COURT: OK. I will do that. Thank you.

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(Luncheon recess)

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1	AFTERNOON SESSION
2	2:00 pm
3	(Trial resumes)
4	(In open court; jury not present)
5	THE COURT: You may be seated. Thanks. Is everyone
6	here? I wanted to first raise a scheduling issue. I will do
7	it off the record.
8	MS. MERMELSTEIN: I think Mr. Touger is not here.
9	THE COURT: Sorry. I thought he was. I'll wait.
10	Thanks. (Pause)
11	THE REPORTER: This will be off the record, your
12	Honor?
13	THE COURT: Yes.
14	(Off-the-record discussion)
15	(Jury present)
16	THE COURT: Welcome back, folks. You can be seated.
17	First of all, Ms. Cavale told you due to unforeseen
18	circumstances, we are not going to sit tomorrow, and I
19	apologize for that. I thank you for your willingness to sit a
20	little bit late today so we can keep moving forward and stay on
21	schedule.
22	I wanted to address one other issue. I understand
23	that one of the jurors asked Ms. Cavale if defendants testify
24	in criminal trials, and I just want to make sure that it is
25	clear under our Constitution, a defendant does not have to

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testify because the burden of proof beyond a reasonable doubt remains with the government at all times. If a defendant did not testify, the jury may not draw any unfavorable inference against that defendant based on that decision. That fact cannot enter into the jury's deliberations at all, so I wanted to make sure you understood that. You may proceed. MR. QUIGLEY: The government calls Leo Griffin. Your Honor, before we get into the substance, pursuant to a prior discussion between the parties, the government offers Government Exhibits 106, 107, 111, 153, 162, 186, 197, 198, 214 A and 2609. THE COURT: They will be admitted (Government's Exhibits 106, 107, 111, 153, 162, 186, 197, 198, 214 A and 2609 received in evidence) MR. SCHWARTZ: No objection. MR. QUIGLEY: LEO GRIFFIN, called as a witness by the Government, having been duly sworn, testified as follows: DIRECT EXAMINATION Where do you work, Mr. Griffin? Q. Α. Richmond Retirement System. What is your role at the retirement system? 0. I am the executive director. Α.

In your role as the Richmond Retirement System, have you

- 1 become familiar with bonds issued by the Wakpamni Lake
- 2 Community Corporation in August of 2014?
- 3 | A. Yes.
- 4 | Q. Were those bonds placed into one of your accounts?
- 5 | A. Yes.
- 6 Q. Let's back up a second.
- 7 How long have you been the executive director of the
- 8 | Richmond retirement systems?
- 9 A. Five years.
- 10 | Q. What is the Richmond retirement System?
- 11 A. The Richmond Retirement System is primarily a defined
- 12 | benefit pension system for the employees of the City of
- 13 Richmond, Virginia.
- 14 | Q. What did you do before you became executive director of the
- 15 | Richmond Retirement System?
- 16 A. I was the director of the Spokane Employees Retirement
- 17 | System in Spokane, Washington.
- 18 | Q. A similar role?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 | Q. What did you do before that?
- 21 A. Prior to that, I was director of finance for Sisters of the
- 22 | Holy Names, a not-for-profit organization with an endowment in
- 23 | Spokane, Washington.
- 24 | Q. Focusing on the Richmond Retirement System, how many
- 25 participants are in that program?

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- There are approximately 8,000.
- What types of people are beneficiaries or enrolled in the 2 Q.
- 3 Richmond Retirement System's program?
- Police officers, firefighters, general employees, 4
- 5 secretaries, garbage truck drivers.
- Are these people who work for the City of Richmond? 6 0.
- 7 Α. Yes.
- What is the mandate or mission of the Richmond Retirement 8
- 9 Systems?
- 10 To provide an annuity for life, which is to provide a
- 11 pension once the person reaches certain criteria and is
- 12 eligible to provide a pension for the rest of their life.
- 13 Q. How does the Richmond Retirement System fund itself so it
- 14 can make payments for the length of the person's life?
- 15 There are contributions that are made by the employer,
- which is the City of Richmond. There is contributions made by 16
- 17 the employees out of their paychecks, and there are investment
- 18 earnings.
- Q. With respect to investments, does Richmond Retirement 19
- 20 Systems do that in-house or do you have other people do that
- 21 for you?
- 22 A. We use professional external money managers. There are no
- 23 money managed in-house.
- 24 Q. Does Richmond Retirement Systems have any requirements or
- 25 mandate to make a certain percentage of investments in social

- 1 responsible causes?
- 2 | A. No.
- 3 | Q. Did it in 2014?
- 4 A. No.
- 5 Q. You mentioned investment advisers and investment managers.
- 6 How many investment advisers or investment managers does RRS
- 7 | have at this time?
- 8 | A. Between 30 and 35.
- 9 Q. Focusing on 2014, was one of those investment advisers
- 10 | Hughes Capital Management?
- 11 | A. Yes.
- 12 | Q. Who owned Hughes Capital Management at that time?
- 13 A. It was my understanding that Hughes Capital Management was
- 14 owned by Frankie Hughes.
- 15 | Q. During the time when you took over at Richmond retirement
- 16 | five years ago, 2013, in and August 2014, do you recall any
- 17 | issues with Hughes Capital Management?
- 18 A. Excuse me? Can you repeat the question. In which month?
- 19 Q. Between the time you took over as executive director of
- 20 | Richmond retirement and August of 2014, were there any issues
- 21 | with Hughes Capital Management?
- 22 | A. There was an issue related to a change in the portfolio
- 23 manager, and we had a discussion with Ms. Hughes about that.
- 24 | Q. Anything else?
- 25 A. No.

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- MR. QUIGLEY: At this time the government offers Government Exhibit 185. I believe it is the subject of a stipulation.
  - THE COURT: It will be admitted.
- 5 (Government's Exhibit 185 received in evidence)
- 6 BY MR. QUIGLEY:
- Q. Can we put up on the screen for the witness Government

  Exhibit 185 and the jury. Mr. Griffin, if you prefer in the

  binder next to you.
- 10 | A. Okay.
- 11 | Q. What is this document, Mr. Griffin?
- 12 A. It's what we refer to as an IMA, it is an investment
- 13 | management agreement. This is entitled Investment Counsel
- 14 | Agreement. It is essentially the contract between the money
- 15 manager, Hughes Capital Management, and the system, the
- 16 | Richmond Retirement System.
- 17 | Q. Do you see where it says under Investment Authority,
- 18 discretionary"?
- 19 | A. Yes.
- 20 | Q. What does discretionary mean in this context?
- 21 A. So in the industry, discretionary, it has a couple of
- 22 definitions, but in short, the investment manager has
- 23 discretion to invest within guidelines.
- 24 | Q. They can't do anything wild?
- 25 A. Correct.

- 1 | Q. They have to stay within the guidelines?
- 2 A. Correct.
- 3 | Q. If you could go to Page 7. Are these the guidelines?
- 4 A. Yes, these are the investment guidelines of Richmond
- 5 Retirement System as of the date that they entered into the
- 6 contract with Hughes.
- 7 | Q. By the way, these were the guidelines in effect in 2014?
- 8 A. They were, yes.
- 9 Q. Can we go to page, two pages ahead in this document.
- 10 Under investment guidelines, can you read Paragraph 2,
- 11 | highlighted as 2.
- 12 A. Paragraph 2 states: Domestic fixed income investments are
- 13 permitted, subject to the guidelines in Appendix 1, and may
- 14 | include U.S. Government and agency obligations, mortgage-backed
- 15 | securities, including non-agency mortgages and commercial
- 16 | mortgage-backed securities; asset-backed securities, corporate
- 17 | bonds, debentures, commercial paper, and taxable municipals.
- 18 Q. Do you understand a bond to be a type of fixed income
- 19 security?
- 20 A. Yeah, those two terms, to me, are synonymous. A bond is a
- 21 | fixed income security.
- 22 | Q. Can you read the paragraph below that.
- 23 A. Paragraph 3. The minimum quality rating of any fixed
- 24 | income issue held in an investment grade portfolio shall be B
- 25 as rated by Moody's or an equivalent rating agency, and the

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- overall weighted average quality shall be A or higher. The
  ratings in this policy statement are for guidance only. The
  investment managers are responsible for making an independent
  analysis of the creditworthiness of securities and their
  suitability as investments regardless of the classifications
  - Q. Directing your attention to No. 5 of this paragraph, what is that?
    - A. Paragraph states that securities of an individual issuer, excepting the U.S. Government and agencies and Sovereign

      Nations and their agencies, shall not constitute more than 5 percent of an investment manager's portfolio at any time, at market value.
    - Q. At this time, 2014, how common was it for Richmond's investment advisers to buy a bond with the idea it would be held to maturity?
- 17 | A. That would be unusual.

provided by rating agencies.

- Q. So let's shift topics a little bit and focus on August of 2014. Did you learn about a change in Hughes' ownership at
- 20 that time?
- 21 | A. Yes, I did.
- 22 | Q. How did you learn about that?
- A. I received a phone call from Michelle Morton, which was a voice-mail. When I returned the call, my conversation, I
- 25 believe, was with Richard Dearie.

- Q. Did you learn about this change in ownership before it happened or after it happened?
- $3 \parallel A.$  After.
- 4 MR. QUIGLEY: Can we pull up for the witness only and 5 the lawyers and the Judge, Government's Exhibit 170.
- 6 BY MR. QUIGLEY:
- 7 Q. Do you recognize this document, Mr. Griffin?
  - A. Yes, this is an email from Hughes Capital Management to me.
  - Q. Does Richmond Retirement in the regular course of its
- 10 business keep records of its communications with investment
- 11 | advisers?

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- 12 | A. Yes, we do.
- 13 Q. Was this communication made part of the records of Richmond
- 14 Retirement at or near the time it was received?
- 15 A. Yes, it was.
- MR. QUIGLEY: The government offers Government Exhibit
- 17 | 170.
- 18 | THE COURT: Any objection?
- 19 MR. SCHWARTZ: No objection.
- 20 | THE COURT: It will be admitted.
- 21 (Government's Exhibit 170 received in evidence)
- MR. QUIGLEY: Can we put this up side-by-side with the
- 23 | attachment.
- 24 BY MR. OUIGLEY:
- 25 Q. Mr. Griffin, first of all, what is the date on the letter?

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- 1 A. The date on the letter is August 20th of 2014.
- 2 Q. In substance, what is this letter telling you about?
- 3 A. It is a letter addressed to me at Richmond Retirement
- 4 System, thanking me for the conversation that we had. Let me
- 5 just read this a moment. It's been a while. (Pause
  - It essentially is the letter announcing the purchase of Hughes Capital Management.
  - Q. Thank you. We can take that down.
    - How did you react to learning about the ownership change at Hughes?
- 11 A. Some surprise.
- 12 | Q. Why were you surprised?
- 13 A. In the industry, large investment firms sometimes get
- 14 | bought and sold, but a smaller firm like Hughes, it just wasn't
- 15 what we were expecting. There was no conversation with Hughes
- 16 about that. It didn't, it seemed like it just came out of the
- 17 | blue, so it was a bit of a surprise.
- 18 | Q. I want to jump ahead a couple of weeks to around September
- 19 | 9th of 2014. Without getting into what anyone said, did you
- 20 | have a conversation with someone named Kevin Leonard that day?
- 21 A. Yes, I you did.
- 22 | Q. Who is Mr. Leonard?
- 23 | A. Kevin Leonard is an investment consultant and partner with
- 24 | NEPC, which is an independent investment consulting firm based
- 25 | in Boston, Massachusetts.

- 1 Q. As a result of that conversation with Mr. Leonard, did you
- 2 | look at Richmond Retirement's account with Hughes?
- 3 A. Yes, we did that day.
- 4 | Q. What did you find?
- 5 A. We found a Native American bond.
- 6 Q. Was that the Wakpamni bond?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 | Q. Had you asked Hughes to buy this bond?
- 9 | A. No.
- 10 | Q. Had anyone at Hughes, had anyone at Hughes asked Richmond
- 11 about buying this bond?
- 12 | A. No.
- 13 Q. Had you heard of this bond before September 9th, 2014?
- 14 A. No, I had not.
- 15 | Q. What was your reaction to learning the bond was in your
- 16 | account?
- 17 A. Shock.
- 18 | Q. Why were you shocked?
- 19 A. It is a no-name bond from a Native American tribe in the
- 20 | Dakotas. It just, in my opinion, it didn't seem to fit with
- 21 | the other names in the portfolio, meaning the other bonds in
- 22 | the portfolio.
- 23 | Q. Did you eventually get, sometime after you found out about
- 24 | the bond, did you get a communication from Hughes a monthly
- 25 | report in August of 2014?

- 1 A. We did receive a report with a list of holdings, yes.
- 2 Q. Can we publish what is now in evidence as Government
- 3 Exhibit 186. Do you have it in the binder?
- 4 A. I do have it in the binder.
- 5 | Q. What is that document?
- 6 A. Government Exhibit 186 is an email from Hughes Capital
- 7 | Management to me.
- 8 | Q. This is after you learned about the purchase of the bond in
- 9 | the first place?
- 10 A. That I'm not sure. This is dated September 16th. I can't
- 11 | say with certainty the exact date.
- 12 | Q. It was on or about September 9th you had the phone call
- 13 | with Kevin Leonard?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15  $\parallel$  Q. This is after the purchase, you learned of the purchase of
- 16 | the bond?
- 17 | A. Yes.
- 18 | Q. This is the August report for Richmond's portfolio with
- 19 | Hughes?
- 20 A. Yes, a pretty standard management report.
- 21 | Q. If you go to the page ending in Bates No. 267, we can blow
- 22 | up the table. What does this reflect?
- 23 | A. This is what I would refer to as a list of holdings. It
- 24 | lists each security with different data points on each one of
- 25 the bonds in the portfolio.

- 1 | Q. What are some of the companies listed here?
- 2 A. Sorry? Could you repeat that?
- 3 Q. What are some of the companies listed here?
- 4 A. Dupont, Hartford, Morgan Stanley, Starbucks, Walmart,
- 5 Metropolitan Life, PNC funding, Prudential, Jeffries Group,
- 6 U.S. Treasuries, there is the Native American bond, Bear
- 7 | Stearns, Morgan Stanley, that's about 75 percent of the names.
- 8 Q. If you could Column U A L -- the quality?
- 9 A. The QUAL, that is the rating?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. For everything but the Native American bond, what is the
- 12 | rating?
- 13 A. The Native American bond is the only bond on this report
- 14 | without a rating. It is rated as N/A, meaning not applicable.
- 15 Q. Everything else is A or B?
- 16 A. Everything else is A or B, yes.
- 17 | Q. What percentage of the portfolio did the Wakpamni bond make
- 18 up?
- 19 | A. According to this report, it is 5.33 percent of the Hughes
- 20 portfolio.
- 21 | Q. Of Richmond's portfolio with Hughes?
- 22 | A. Richmond's portfolio with Hughes, 5.33 percent.
- 23 | Q. When you found out about the bond being placed in your
- 24 | account, had you made any decision at that time about
- 25 | Richmond's relationship with Hughes going forward?

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- A. Yes. Although I'm not the one that makes the decision, the board does, but I had decided it was time to move on, and that was going to be my recommendation to the board.
  - Q. Why had you decided it was time to move on?
- A. The sale of the company without, in my opinion, proper

  notice, when I was on the phone call with Mr. Dearie, I asked

  him when was the company sold, and he said last week, and to me

  that was a red flag. That was enough right there to tell me we

  wanted out.

Then on top of that, later we learned in September the purchase of the Native American bond. That was enough information to take to the board.

- Q. Was there a board meeting later in September 2014?
- 14 A. Yes. It was later in September, it may have been around 15 the 23rd.
- Q. What, if anything, did you recommend to the board of Richmond Retirement at that meeting?
- 18 A. I recommended termination of Hughes Capital Management.
  - Q. Did the board agree to terminate Hughes?
- 20 A. Yes, they did.
  - Q. What did you attempt to have done at that point with the holdings in Richmond's portfolio at Hughes?
- A. I notified the manager, meaning Hughes, to stop trading,
  which means stop touching the account, and then we handed the
  portfolio to a brokerage and instructed them to liquidate

- 1 everything to cash.
- 2 | Q. Was the brokerage able to liquidate everything in the
- 3 portfolio to cash?
- 4 A. They were not.
- 5 | Q. How many securities were they not able to liquidate to
- 6 cash?
- 7 | A. One.
- 8 | Q. What security was that?
- 9 A. The Native American bond.
- 10 | Q. Did you attempt to continue to get Hughes to get the
- 11 | Wakpamni bond out of your portfolio?
- 12 | A. Yes, I think it is safe to say we pressed them repeatedly.
- 13 | Q. So let's take a look at a couple of examples.
- 14 Take a look for the witness only, lawyers and Judge
- only Government Exhibit 171. Do you recognize this document,
- 16 Mr. Griffin?
- 17 | A. Yes.
- 18 | Q. How do you recognize it?
- 19 | A. It's an email from Michelle Morton at Hughes to me.
- 20 MR. QUIGLEY: The government offers Government Exhibit
- 21 | 171.
- 22 | THE COURT: Any objection?
- MR. SCHWARTZ: No objection.
- MR. TOUGER: No objection.
- THE COURT: 171 will be admitted.

- 1 (Government's Exhibit 171 received in evidence)
- 2 MR. QUIGLEY: May we publish it to the jury. Thank
- 3 | you.
- 4 BY MR. QUIGLEY:
- 5 | Q. If we could look at the page ending in 186. That email in
- 6 the middle here from you on November 14th, 2014, do you see
- 7 | that?
- 8 A. Yes, November 14th from me.
- 9 Q. What do you say to Richard Dearie and Michelle Morton here?
- 10 A. I am stating, I am saying it has been a week since we heard
- 11 | from you. We need immediate resolution regarding the
- 12 | disposition from our portfolio of the Wakpamni Lake SD
- Community Corp. bond. Please provide me an answer by the close
- 14 of business day.
- 15 | Q. We can take that down. Can we put up for the witness, the
- 16 | Judge and lawyers only Government Exhibit 175.
- Do you recognize this email, Mr. Griffin?
- 18 | A. Yes.
- 19 | Q. This was sent to Michelle Morton?
- 20 A. From me to Michelle Morton regarding the bond.
- 21 MR. QUIGLEY: The government offers Government Exhibit
- 22 | 175.
- 23 THE COURT: Any objection?
- MR. TOUGER: No objection, your Honor.
- THE COURT: 175 will be admitted.

- 1 (Government's Exhibit 175 received in evidence)
- 2 MR. QUIGLEY: If you can publish it to the jury,
- 3 please.
- 4 BY MR. QUIGLEY:
- 5 | Q. What is the date on this email, Mr. Griffin?
- 6 A. January 7th, 2015.
- 7 | Q. What are you asking Ms. Morton here?
- 8 A. I state in the email I would appreciate an update on the
- 9 Native American bond.
- 10 Q. The bond had not been sold at this point?
- 11 A. The bond had not been sold at this point.
- 12 MR. QUIGLEY: Finally, if you could go just for the
- 13 witness, the lawyers and the Judge, Government Exhibit 171.
- MR. SCHWARTZ: No objection.
- 15 BY MR. QUIGLEY:
- 16 | Q. Are these all the communications you had with Ms. Morton
- 17 | and Mr. Dearie about the bond or just a sample?
- 18 A. Could you repeat the question.
- 19 Q. The emails we just looked at, are those all the emails you
- 20 | had with Ms. Morton and Mr. Dearie about the bond?
- 21 A. No, those are not all the emails I had with Michelle Morton
- 22 and Richard Dearie regarding the bond.
- 23 | Q. Has the bond been sold, ever been sold out of Richmond's
- 24 | account?
- 25 A. The bond has not been sold out of our account.

Griffin - cross

- 1 | Q. You're still holding it to this day?
  - A. Written down to zero, still holding it today.
- 3 | Q. Before the filing of charges in this case, did you know how
- 4 | Morton had financed her purchase of Hughes Capital Management?
- 5 A. No, I had not.
- 6 Q. Did anyone at Hughes ever tell you about the relationship
- 7 | between the placement agent for the bonds and the people who
- 8 | financed the acquisition of Hughes?
- 9 A. Not to my knowledge.
- 10 | Q. Would you have wanted to know about any such relationship
- 11 before the bond was placed in your account?
- 12 A. I would have wanted to have known of that type of
- 13 relationship.
- MR. QUIGLEY: One moment, your Honor.
- 15 THE COURT: Yes.
- MR. QUIGLEY: No further questions.
- 17 | THE COURT: Any cross-examination?
- MR. SCHWARTZ: With your Honor's permission, Mr.
- 19 | Wenner will question the witness.
- 20 THE COURT: Yes, of course.
- 21 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 22 BY MR. WENNER:
- 23 Q. Mr. Griffin, good afternoon.
- 24 A. Good afternoon.
- 25 Q. My name is Craig Wenner. I represent Devon Archer. We

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- 1 | have never met before, right?
- 2 A. We have never met before.
- 3 Q. You have met with the prosecutors in this case before. Is
- 4 | that right?
- 5 A. That is correct.
- 6 Q. You were interviewed by the government, by the prosecutors
- 7 | in this case for the first time on February 9, 2018. Is that
- 8 | correct?
- 9 A. That is correct.
- 10 Q. You testified a little bit about your interactions with
- 11 | Michelle Morton and other individuals at Hughes Capital
- 12 | Management. Am I correct you have never met Mr. Archer before?
- 13 A. That is correct, I have never met Mr. Archer.
- 14 | Q. Am I correct you have never exchanged any written
- 15 | correspondence with Mr. Archer?
- 16 A. That is correct.
- 17 | Q. You have never spoken to him on the phone. Is that
- 18 | correct?
- 19 A. Correct, I have never spoken to Mr. Archer.
- 20 MR. WENNER: Mr. Jackson, are you able to pull up
- 21 Government Exhibit 185, please. Would you please expand the
- 22 | first two sentences.
- 23 BY MR. WENNER:
- 24 | Q. Mr. Griffin, am I correct that in this contract the adviser
- 25 | is Hughes Capital Management?

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- 1 A. That is correct.
- 2 | Q. Would you please read under Section 1 A the sentence under,
- 3 discretionary".
- 4 A. The first sentence reads advisor will supervise and direct
- 5 | the investments and make all investment decisions for the
- 6 | account.
- 7 MR. WENNER: Thank you, Mr. Griffin. Your Honor, no
- 8 | further questions.
- 9 THE COURT: Any cross-examination?
- 10 MR. TOUGER: Yes, your Honor.
- 11 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 12 BY MR. TOUGER:
- 13 Q. Good afternoon, sir.
- 14 A. Good afternoon.
- 15 | Q. Have you ever met me before?
- 16 A. No, sir.
- 17 Q. I am David Touger. Nice to meet you.
- 18 A. Nice to meet you, sir.
- 19 Q. Have you ever spoken to me before?
- 20 A. I have not.
- 21 | Q. Have you ever spoken with anybody from the John Galanis
- 22 defense team?
- 23 A. I have not.
- 24 | Q. Have you ever met John Galanis?
- 25 A. I have not met Mr. Galanis.

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- 1 | Q. Have you ever spoken to John Galanis?
- 2 | A. No.
- 3 | Q. Is he related to the Richmond Retirement fund in any way?
- 4 A. Is Mr. Galanis?
- 5 Q. John Galanis, yes. Has he ever made any investment
- 6 decisions for you?
- 7 A. I am not able to answer that question. I am not aware.
- 8 | Q. By the way, how much in total is the Richmond Retirement
- 9 | fund worth?
- 10 A. Today, close to \$600 million.
- 11 Q. Would it be a similar number back in 2014?
- 12 A. Possibly 525, 550 million, somewhere maybe in that range.
- 13 | Q. So the Hughes Asset Management part was a very small
- 14 percentage of the entire account, correct?
- 15  $\parallel$  A. Hughes was \$6 million of a \$550 million account.
- 16 Q. Can you do that math? What percentage that is?
- 17 A. It sounds like 1 percent.
- 18 Q. And the investment in these Wakpamni Lake Community
- 19 Corporation bonds was approximately 5 percent of that 1
- 20 percent?
- 21 | A. It was a little over 5 percent of the bond. The bond was a
- 22 | little over 5 percent of the 1 percent.
- 23 | Q. In total, it is about .002 percent?
- 24 A. That math I can't do in my head.
- 25 MR. TOUGER: I think the jury gets the point. Thank

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- 2 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 3 BY MS. NOTARI:
- 4 Q. Good afternoon.
- 5 We have never met before, correct?
- 6 A. Good afternoon. We have never met before.
- 7 | Q. My name is Paula Notari, by the way, and I am the lawyer
- 8 | for Bevan Cooney seated in the left. You never met with
- 9 Mr. Cooney before?
- 10 | A. I have not.
- 11 Q. You never exchanged any correspondence with Mr. Cooney
- 12 before?
- 13 A. I have not.
- 14 | Q. You have never spoken to him on the telephone before?
- 15 | A. No, ma'am.
- 16 | Q. I take it the first time you've heard his name, Bevan
- 17 Cooney, was in relation to this case, correct?
- 18 A. When I read the complaint.
- MS. NOTARI: Thank you.
- 20 | THE COURT: Any redirect?
- 21 MR. QUIGLEY: A few questions.
- 22 | REDIRECT EXAMINATION
- 23 BY MR. OUIGLEY:
- 24 | Q. Sir, Mr. Wenner asked you when you were first interviewed
- 25 by the government in February 2018. Do you recall that?

- 1 | A. Yes.
- 2 | Q. Were you interviewed by another agency in December of 2015?
- 3 A. I received a phone call from the SEC at that time.
- 4 Q. The Securities & Exchange Commission?
- 5 A. Yes, exactly. It was a telephone call.
- 6 Q. You discussed this case with them?
- 7 A. I don't recall the specifics, but it was at least one phone
- 8 | call with them related -- that is when I learned that a fraud
- 9 | had been committed. That is what comes out of that
- 10 | conversation to me.
- 11 | Q. You were asked a number of questions by the lawyers about
- 12 | different people that you knew and didn't know. Do you recall
- 13 | that?
- 14 A. Sorry. Could you repeat that?
- 15  $\parallel$  Q. The lawyers asked you about different people that you knew
- 16 and didn't know. Do you recall that?
- 17 A. Yes, I was asked that today.
- 18 | Q. Before the filing of charges in this case, had you ever
- 19 heard of Jason Galanis?
- 20 | A. No.
- 21 | Q. Before the filing of charges in this case, had ever heard
- 22 of Hugh Dunkerley?
- 23 | A. No.
- MR. QUIGLEY: No further questions.
- 25 | THE COURT: Anything else?

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1	RECROSS EXAMINATION
2	BY MR. TOUGER:
3	Q. You obviously heard of Michelle Morton, though, right?
4	A. Yes, I have. The answer is I have heard of Michelle Morton
5	when she purchased the company.
6	Q. Exactly. You spoke to her or had emails with her after
7	that date, correct?
8	A. Yes, sir.
9	MR. TOUGER: Nothing further.
10	MR. QUIGLEY: Nothing further.
11	(Witness excused)
12	MS. MERMELSTEIN: The government calls Professor
13	Arthur Laby, and if we can approach for one minute before he
14	takes the stand.
15	THE COURT: Sure.
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1	(At sidebar)
2	MS. MERMELSTEIN: I wasn't sure I realized what your
3	Honor's policy was, whether or not you wanted the government to
4	tender him as an expert or elicit his qualifications, and I
5	think just to be consistent, I didn't want to do it without
6	raising the issue.
7	THE COURT: Normally people are tendered as an expert
8	and I qualify them if there is no objection. If you're in
9	agreement otherwise, I am flexible.
10	MS. MERMELSTEIN: I don't feel strongly except to say
11	that I don't know that we are going to agree that some of the
12	defense experts are experts in the event they're permitted to
13	testify. If you want to have the theatrics now or later, that
14	is fine.
15	MR. SCHWARTZ: In other words, we're going to have to
16	qualify our experts?
17	MS. MERMELSTEIN: Since there hasn't yet been a ruling
18	on the motion to preclude them, I don't know that I have
19	reached this conclusion. I don't know if they're totally
20	qualified.
21	MR. SCHWARTZ: Why don't you ask your questions and
22	you can tender him as an expert. I won't object.
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MR. SCHWARTZ: You'll state his expertise?

THE COURT: Okay.

MS. MERMELSTEIN: Yes.

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THE COURT: In terms of scheduling, I know two of you have issues on the 26th. I promise we'll respect those events, so don't worry about that. If you're amenable to that, we're happy to start earlier, at 9:30. Often I don't do that because people are coming from Westchester in particular, it is a long trip. If you're amenable to that, I'm happy to start court every day at 9:30. Talk amongst yourselves and let Ms. Cavale know. Thank you.

ARTHUR LABY,

called as a witness by the Government,

having been duly sworn, testified as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION

14 BY MS. MERMELSTEIN:

Q. Good afternoon, Professor Laby.

Let me ask you a balance. If we get too close, it makes noise, but come a little closer to the microphone?

- A. Is that better?
- Q. Yes, perfect. How are you employed?
- 20 | A. I am a law professor at Rutgers University in New Jersey.
- 21 | Q. As a professor, what do you do?
  - A. Well, I do several things. I put it in three categories.

First, of course, I teach law school classes to students each semester. Then I have a series of research projects I undertake that are always ongoing, and have a third

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- category we call service. So helping law school in certain ways, serving on various committees, acting in the public
- 3 interest in ways related to my field.
- 4 Q. I think I led you astray. You're a little too close to the
- 5 microphone now.
- 6 A. Sorry about that.
- 7 | Q. Do you also do any work as an expert consultant?
- 8 A. I do. I undertake several projects as expert witness or
- 9 consultant.
- 10 | Q. Stepping back for a moment, give the jury your educational
- 11 background.
- 12 A. Sure. So I went to college at the University of
- 13 | Pittsburgh, graduated from college, went to law school at
- 14 | Boston University School of Law.
- 15 | Q. What year did you get your law degree?
- 16 A. I graduated from law school in 1989.
- 17 | Q. What did you do following law school?
- 18 A. In the first year after law school, I clerked for a federal
- 19 | judge in Baltimore, Maryland and after that I joined a law firm
- 20 as a law firm associate in Washington, D.C.
- 21 | Q. How long did you stay at the law firm?
- 22 | A. I stayed at the firm for approximately four years.
- 23 Q. What did you do after that?
- 24 | A. After that, I applied for a Fulbright Grant to go overseas
- 25 | to do some teaching and writing.

- 1 | Q. Did you receive that Fulbright Grant?
- 2 A. I did I got the Fulbright Grant. Initially that was going
- 3 | to be a one-year period. I ended up staying for two years.
- 4 | Q. What did you do when you finished the Fulbright?
- 5 A. When I finished the Fulbright, I came back to the United
- 6 States and I joined the staff of the U.S. Securities & Exchange
- 7 | Commission in Washington.
- 8 | Q. What is the U.S. Securities & Exchange Commission?
- 9 A. The Securities & Exchange Commission, or SEC, is the
- 10 | federal regulatory agency in Washington and around the country
- 11 | that regulates all matters pertaining to securities, the
- 12 | issuance and sale of securities.
- 13 | Q. How long were you at the SEC?
- 14 A. I was at the SEC almost 10 years.
- 15 Q. Were you in any particular divisions of the SEC during that
- 16 | time?
- 17 A. Yes, yes. So when I first joined the SEC, I was in an
- 18 office called the Office of International Affairs in part
- 19 | because I had some experience overseas when I was on the
- 20 | Fulbright.
- 21 Then I left that office at some point and joined an
- 22 | office called the Division of Investment Management. I was
- 23 | there for a few years. Then ultimately I moved to the Office
- 24 of the General Counsel.
- 25 Q. What does the Division of Investment Management do?

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- A. That is the division, the office of division at the SEC
  which regulates investment management. That means it regulates
  investment advisers and it regulates mutual funds.
  - Q. What about the Office of General Counsel?
- A. The Office of the General Counsel is an office which really oversees any and all matters that have to go up to the commission itself for approval, so that can be enforcement cases, rule-makings, anything that actually goes to the five-member commission. Those matters have to be approved by the General Counsel's Office.
  - Q. Does that include matters that pertain to investment advisers?
  - A. Yes, absolutely that includes investment adviser matters.
  - Q. What did you do when you left the SEC?
- A. When I left the SEC, I joined the Rutgers Law School
  faculty, although there was a short period when I first left
  the SEC, I was doing some private legal work as well.
  - Q. What kind of classes do you generally teach?
  - A. I teach a course, the securities regulation class because my experience at the SEC, there is a survey securities class.
    - I also teach an advanced class in securities regulation, and then I teach a general corporations class. We call it business associations, but it is essentially partnerships and corporate law.
  - Q. Have you published any books or articles?

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- A. I have. I have published numerous book chapters and articles over the years and I am a co-author of a multi-volume treatise in the area of investment management.
  - Q. What generally has been, besides the treatise, the topics of your articles or books?
    - A. My focus has been on investment management, investment advisers, mutual funds. I have focused in particular on fiduciary duties and the fiduciary relationship.
    - Q. In addition to your academic research and writing, do you do anything else to stay up to speed on developments in the investment adviser world?
  - A. Yes, yes. In my field, it is important not to stay in your office all the time and just do legal research and writing, but to get out into the world and to stay in touch with various practitioners and members of the investment management community, so I'm a member of various organizations, roundtables which meet a few times a year, sometimes more often, where folks come together and talk about developments in the industry.
    - Q. Have you testified as a witness in a trial or deposition before?
- A. Yes, I have testified before both at trial and in depositions.
- 24 | Q. Approximately how many times?
- 25 A. Oh, I've probably had my deposition taken approximately 15

- 1 | to 17 times over the past 10 years, and I've probably testified
- 2 | in a trial about the same, maybe a little bit fewer, say 14 or
- $3 \parallel 15 \text{ times.}$
- 4 | Q. In some of those instances, were you testifying as an
- 5 | expert witness?
- 6 A. Yes, that's correct.
- 7 Q. Have you testified in only criminal matters or civil
- 8 | matters as well?
- 9 A. No, I have testified in both criminal matters and in civil
- 10 matters.
- 11 Q. Have you worked with both plaintiffs and defendants?
- 12 A. Yes, yes, I've worked on behalf of both plaintiffs and
- 13 defendants, that's right.
- MS. MERMELSTEIN: The government tenders Professor
- 15 | Laby as an expert in the area of investment advisers.
- MR. SCHWARTZ: No objection.
- 17 MR. TOUGER: No objection.
- MS. NOTARI: No objection.
- 19 THE COURT: You are so qualified.
- 20 BY MS. MERMELSTEIN:
- 21 | Q. Before we move on, are you being paid by the government for
- 22 | your testimony today?
- 23 | A. Yes, I am.
- 24 | Q. How much do you charge?
- 25 A. My rate on this case is \$750 per hour.

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- 1 | Q. Is that your standard fee?
- 2 A. That is my standard fee for the government.
- 3 | Q. Lower than your standard fee for non-government?
  - A. That's correct.
- Q. Approximately how much have you worked in total for your
- 6 work in this case? Have you calculated it?
- 7 A. I don't know exactly, I have spent maybe three to four,
- 8 | three to five hours preparing, so whatever that is, whatever
- 9 the math is, maybe four to five thousand dollars.
- 10 | Q. Does your compensation depend in any part on the outcome of
- 11 | this case?

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- 12 A. No, it does not.
- 13 | Q. What, if anything, do you know about the underlying facts
- 14 of this case?
- 15 A. I know virtually nothing about the underlying facts of this
- 16 case.
- 17 | Q. Let's then turn to talking about investment advisers. What
- 18 | is an investment adviser?
- 19 | A. An investment adviser is a person or a firm who is in the
- 20 | business of providing advice about securities to their clients,
- 21 | to other people for compensation. They have to be paid or
- 22 | they're not really considered to be an investment adviser.
- 23 Q. Are investment advisers registered?
- 24 A. Some investment advisers are registered with the U.S.
- 25 | Securities & Exchange Commission, but not all advisers have to

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- register so, yes, some are registered, but others can be considered investment advisers but they're not registered with the SEC.
  - Q. The obligations of investment advisers we're about to talk about, are those different depending on whether or not an investment adviser is registered or not?
  - A. Well, certain requirements apply to any and all investment advisers whether or not they're registered. There are some technical requirements that only apply to registered investment advisers.
  - Q. So we'll come back to that as we go on.

What sort of things do investment advisers do for their clients?

- A. Well, investment advisers typically meet with their clients, try to understand their financial position, their financial situation. They then try to understand the goals of their clients and then typically they recommend various investments, stocks, bonds, mutual funds, that sort of thing where the investors can invest to ultimately increase the client's wealth.
- Q. How are investment advisers typically paid?
- A. They can be paid in several ways. Most investment advisers are paid by what's called an assets under management fee, so that means they receive, say, 1 percent of the assets under their management.

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So, for example, if the client, just to use an example, has \$100.00 in assets under management with the adviser, he would charge a 1 percent fee, but that would be \$1.00 per year in my example multiplied, of course, by the actual amount of assets.

- Q. Is 1 percent an example or is that a typical fee?
- 7 A. 1 percent is actually a typical fee. They can be higher, 8 can be lower, but that is not so far off the mark.
  - Q. Do investment advisers have to be compensated in that manner or can they be compensated in other ways?
  - A. There are others. For example, some investment advisers might charge similarly an hourly fee. They might sit down with their clients for a given number of hours each year or each quarter and they'll charge an hourly fee.

Other investment advisers continue to charge what's called a commission, so each time the investor actually buys or sells a security, the client, the customer, pays a commission on the stock sale or purchase, and the advisers charge that way.

- Q. Are there generally recognized standards of practice in the investment advisory industry?
- A. Yes, yes. Investment advisers are typically held to what is called a fiduciary duty or a fiduciary standard. That is the common custom and practice that is applied to the world of investment advisers.

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- Q. Does that apply to both registered and unregistered?
- A. Absolutely, that is one of the key requirements that is applied to both registered and unregistered advisers.
- Q. You said that investment advisers are bound by a fiduciary duty. What is a fiduciary duty?
  - A. A fiduciary duty typically is composed of what is called a duty of loyalty and a duty of care. So the duty of loyalty means that the investment adviser always has to act in the best interests of the client and not in the adviser's own interests, and the duty of care means that the investment adviser has to undertake and use its skill, its care, use a lot of diligence in whatever it is doing on behalf of that client.
  - Q. How does a conflict of interest play into that?
  - A. Well, a conflict of interest comes up fairly often in the world of investment advisers, and under the fiduciary standard, investment advisers have to do what they can to mitigate or eliminate that conflict of interest.

If they can't do that, then at a minimum they have to make sure that they disclose the conflict of interest to the client so that the client understands the conflict of interest that the adviser has.

- Q. We'll come back to that in a moment. How does an investment advisory relationship typically begin?
- A. It can begin in a number of ways. Sometimes a client will ask a friend or a family member for a referral to an investment

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1 | adviser, and a relationship will begin that way.

Some investment advisers advertise, and they seek new clients through advertisements. Inevitably, the client or the adviser, one, calls or communicates with the other and eventually they meet and sometimes a relationship forms.

- Q. When an investment advisory relationship begins, is it typically memorialized in writing?
- A. Yes, it is typically memorialized in an investment advisory contract, a writing that lays out the basics of the relationship.
- Q. What kinds of things are typically included?
  - A. Sure. In a typical advisory contract, that document would spell out the various things that the adviser is going to do for that particular client.

It then would, of course, include the fees that are going to be charged by the investment adviser. It also might include like some conflicts of interest that we discussed earlier if the adviser wants to disclose a certain conflict to the client, but most importantly, it lays out the various items that the adviser will do for the client and the fees that will be charged.

- Q. Who makes the decision about how a client's money will be invested?
- A. Well, ultimately that decision is made by the client. That is the client's decision. There are certain circumstances

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- where a client can hand over responsibility or what is called discretion to an investment adviser, and then the adviser has the ability to make those decisions on behalf of the client, but that is a special kind of relationship.
  - Q. In that kind of relationship where the client is handing over discretion, can the client set parameters for that discretion?
  - A. Absolutely, the client can set forth various parameters and give the adviser discretion over the client's funds, but then set forth any parameters that the client would like because ultimately it is the client's money and the client decides how that money will be invested.
  - Q. In what manner can the client set parameters? Does it have to be in writing? Can it be orally?
  - A. It can be both. It can be a writing and that is often recommended, but it certainly can be orally. The client might contact the adviser and say look, I've made a decision, I don't want a certain kind of investment or I want only another type of investment, and they can certainly communicate that orally.
  - Q. If an investment adviser is making discretionary investments, other than obviously following those parameters, what are the investment adviser's obligations with respect to selecting investments for a particular client?
  - A. Yes, well under the general fiduciary standard that we spoke about earlier, the adviser has a duty of care when of it

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- mean? That means that the adviser has to undertake a reasonable amount of diligence and research and kick the tires, as it were, to take a look at that investment, make sure that the investment is a sound investment, and then perhaps just as importantly, make sure that it's an appropriate investment for that client, whoever or whatever that client might be.
- Q. Does that include an assessment of the riskiness of the investment?
- A. Yes, absolutely, that assessment would absolutely include an understanding of the risks entailed by that investment.
- Q. Are you familiar with the phrase know your security?
- 13 A. Yes, absolutely.
- 14 Q. What does that mean?
  - A. That is a phrase very often used in the industry. It is often used by the regulators. Know your security means what it sounds like. It is the obligation of the adviser is to understand or know or become knowledgeable about that particular security, a stock, a bond, a mutual fund, whatever it might be.
    - The adviser has to understand the various qualifications of that security and whether it is appropriate for the client.
  - Q. Now, can an investment adviser assign its clients to someone else?

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- A. Well, an investment adviser can assign its clients to someone else, but only under very specific conditions.
- Q. What are those conditions?
- A. Well, the conditions are that the client in that case, of course, has to be told that that advisory relationship is going to be transferred to somebody else, and then the client itself has to agree to that in writing because, of course, the client initially hired one adviser, and if that entire relationship is going to be transferred to somebody else, that is a very significant the client, of course that can only be done
- Q. Can an investment advisory firm sell itself to new ownership?

once the client agrees to that in writing.

- A. Well, an advisory firm can be sold to new ownership, yes, but that would then bring in exactly this question that you raised a minute ago about the advisory contract being effectively assigned to somebody else.
- Q. Is there a difference between assigning a relationship and the sale of the investment adviser or change in ownership?

  A. Well, yes. I see those as separate things, although
- they're very much related. So assigning the contract is just what it sounds like, the contract itself is essentially handed over from one investment adviser to another investment adviser.
- The firm, an advisory firm, can also be sold from one owner to another owner, and again I see those as separate. If

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- that investment adviser is sold to a new adviser, and the new
  adviser is the firm managing the funds, then that is
  effectively a transfer of that advisory contract that we spoke
  about a moment ago.
  - Q. So is it the same obligation then of the investment adviser to notify clients of that kind of change in ownership?
  - A. Yes, absolutely, that would be considered a transfer of the advisory contract, and the client has to be notified.
  - Q. Can the new ownership of an investment advisory firm begin to trade in client accounts prior to notifying clients?
  - A. No, absolutely not. That is a key custom and practice and responsibility in the world of investment advisers.

The new adviser cannot begin to trade or execute trades or really give advice until the client signed off on that new owner.

- Q. Can the new ownership change the investment strategy of the firm or of a particular client's accounts prior to notification of the client?
- A. No, no, it can't. The old relationship is the relationship in place, and the new adviser, the new owner cannot change any strategy before again notifying the client and getting the client's consent.
  - MS. MERMELSTEIN: No further questions.
- 24 | THE COURT: Any cross-examination?
- MR. SCHWARTZ: Ms. Harris will question.

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- CROSS EXAMINATION 1
- BY MS. HARRIS: 2
- 3 Q. Good afternoon, Professor Laby. My name is Laura Harris,
- 4 and I represent Devon Archer.
- 5 We have never met before, have we?
- No, not that I remember. 6 Α.
- 7 It is a pleasure to meet you.
- You have never met my colleagues, Mr. Schwartz, Mr. 8
- 9 Wenner or Mr. Jackson, have you?
- 10 Α. I don't believe so.
- 11 You know the attorneys representing the government today.
- 12 Is that right?
- 13 I know one of them, I would say, yes. Α.
- 14 Is that Ms. Mermelstein? Q.
- 15 You testified from the government in several other
- 16 cases, right?
- 17 That's correct. Α.
- 18 That is when you had occasion to meet Ms. Mermelstein?
- I had occasion to meet her on one or two of those cases, 19
- 20 but I worked with the government on maybe two or three others
- 21 as well.
- 22 One of those cases was what I'll refer to as the Gerova
- 23 case. Is that right?
- 24 Sorry. Can you say that again?
- 25 The Gerova case? Q.

- That sounds right, but I know so little about the 1
- 2 underlying facts of the cases, that I don't recall that
- 3 specific name, but it does ring a bell and I believe that's
- correct. I am just not a hundred percent sure. 4
- 5 O. Understood.

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- You testified in the Tagliaferri case as well?
- 7 Yes, I have. Α.
- 8 In those cases, you met with the government several times
- 9 before you testified. Is that right?
- 10 I don't know if "several times" is always accurate.
- 11 least once and sometimes on several occasions.
- 12 And spoke with them throughout the case?
- 13 I wouldn't say throughout the case. Of course, I spoke to Α.
- 14 them from time to time, but it is not as if we spoke throughout
- 15 the case as it were.
- 16 Q. You discussed your testimony at least before your actually
- 17 testimony, right?
- 18 Α. Yes.
- 19 In the course of your preparation for your testimony, the
- 20 government would ask you questions about the topics that they
- 21 anticipated you would testify about, right?
- 22 Α. Yes.
- 23 The same is true this time around, right? 0.
- 24 Α. Yes, we discussed my testimony before I came here today.
- 25 They also told you in the course of that preparation the

- questions that they thought I might ask you. Is that right? 1
- A. We did not have much of a discussion about those questions, 2
- 3 maybe one short discussion. I really don't recall details
- 4 about that.
- 5 Q. So you mostly covered the areas that you anticipated that
- you'd testify about? 6
- 7 That's correct.
- 8 And the questions that Ms. Mermelstein would ask you?
- 9 That's right. Α.
- 10 You mentioned earlier you haven't been provided with any of
- 11 the facts underlying this case, right?
- 12 Α. That's correct.
- 13 So you don't know anything about the government's 0.
- 14 allegations against Mr. Archer, right?
- 15 Α. I don't.
- You've only been asked to provide general background 16
- 17 information about investment advisers, right?
- 18 I don't know if I would say "general background," but I've
- 19 been asked to provide answers to questions, some more detailed
- 20 than others. You may call it background. I don't know that I
- necessarily agree, but I think I understand. 21
- 22 Q. Sure. The government didn't inform you Mr. Archer was
- 23 never an investment adviser, right?
- 24 Α. Sorry.
- 25 MS. MERMELSTEIN: Objection, your Honor.

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1 THE COURT: Sustained.

BY MS. HARRIS:

- Q. Moving to the time, the date on which you were retained, do
- you recall I being retained in the fall 2016 for this case? 4
  - I don't remember the dates. I apologize.
- Was that around the time you were testifying in another 6 7 government case, too?

8 MS. MERMELSTEIN: Objection, your Honor.

THE COURT: Sustained.

## BY MS. HARRIS:

Q. We can turn, Professor Laby, to your testimony about the nature of the fiduciary duties that investment advisers have towards their clients.

You testified earlier that with respect to investment advisers, not everyone who works at an investment advisory firm has those fiduciary duties toward their clients. right?

- A. I don't think I testified about that today, but I am more than happy to answer those questions if that is what you're asking me.
- 21 Sure, that is exactly what I am asking, yes. Thank you.

It is true, isn't it, not everyone who works at an investment advisory firm holds those fiduciary duties towards the clients of the investment adviser, right?

There might be clerical employees who probably would not

duty.

- have a fiduciary duty, but people who are acting in an advisory capacity, of course, do have that duty.
  - Q. It is the individuals who are actually providing advice to clients who have those fiduciary duties. Is that right?
  - A. I wouldn't put it quite that way. So there might be some individuals who are involved in the provision of advice but are not actually giving advice to clients, and I would say they also have a fiduciary duty. There are certain, as I say, maybe lower level clerical employees that just don't have professional responsibilities who would not have a fiduciary
  - Q. So an employee who is undertaking an advisory capacity or working towards providing a client with a particular type of advice would have a fiduciary duty. Is that right?
  - A. I think that's right. These are very sort of fact-specific questions, and it is difficult for me to testify yes or no without a lot more information, but generally speaking, if an individual is either providing advice or is involved with the provision of advice to a client, then that individual would owe a fiduciary duty to the client.
  - Q. You said that would be fact-specific, so that might depend on the day-to-day business of that particular employee, correct?
  - A. It might depend on a variety of things, but I think it is fair to say that if that individual is involved with the

- provision of advice, then that individual would owe a fiduciary duty.
- 3 | Q. Moving on, are you familiar with the Form ADV?
- 4 A. Yes.

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- Q. Just to be clear, it's an investment, the investment adviser who fills out a Form ADV. Is that right?
- 7 A. That's right, the investment adviser fills out the Form ADV 8 and submits it both to the government and clients.
  - Q. It is the investment adviser who has responsibility for ensuring that information is accurate. Is that right?
  - A. The investment adviser has that responsibility. There is generally one individual or one or more individuals who are involved in filling out the Form ADV, but ultimately, yes, it is the investment adviser, whether it is a person or a firm,
- Q. When you say one or more individuals, you mean within the investment advisory firm specifically, right?
  - A. Yes, although in some instances some advisers might outsource the filling out of the Form ADV, and so a third party service provider would then have some responsibilities as well.
  - Q. One of the areas that the form requires investment advisers to make particular disclosures is with respect to control persons. Is that right?
- 24 A. Yes, that is correct.

who has that responsibility.

Q. The form requests this information in a few different ways.

- 1 Is that right?
- I am familiar with at least one way that the form 2
- 3 requests the information. I suppose I could think of it as
- 4 requesting the information in multiple ways. I am not sure
- 5 what you have in mind.
- 6 Q. Let me make it a little bit clearer. It requests names of
- 7 direct owners and executive officers. Is that right?
- That's correct. 8 Α.
- 9 It also requests indirect owners, right? Ο.
- 10 Α. That is right.
- 11 So just taking for a moment the direct owners and executive
- 12 officers, by "executive officers" it really means the people
- 13 who are running the company on a day-to-day basis. Is that
- 14 right?
- 15 I believe that is a defined term, and I just don't have the
- definitions in front of me. You might be right, but I would 16
- 17 want to look at the definitions before answering that question.
- Q. Would it be helpful if we pulled up an example form for you 18
- to use while we're walking through this? 19
- 20 Α. We can. It is up to you.
- 21 Just as a demonstrative, if we can pull up DX 4756, please.
- 22 That is just for the attorneys, the Court and the witness.
- 23 Professor Laby, do you recognize this as a Form ADV?
- 24 Α. I do.
- 25 MS. HARRIS: We move to publish this to the jury as a

1 demonstrative?

2 MS. MERMELSTEIN: No objection.

THE COURT: It will be published as a demonstrative.

MS. HARRIS: Mr. Jackson, if you could turn to Page

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BY MS. HARRIS:

- Q. Do you see there in part 2 A, it lists under direct owners
- and executive officers, chief executive officer, chief 8
- 9 financial officer, chief operations officer, chief legal
- 10 officer, do you see that?
- 11 Yes, I do.
- 12 Is that the definition that you were referring to?
- 13 This is one definition. I simply don't recall offhand, Α.
- 14 under the definitional section of the Form ADV, there also
- 15 might be additional definitions of some of these individuals.
- 16 Again, I just don't remember.
- 17 Q. Do you think it would probably be consistent with this
- definition in that it is asking for the executives of the 18
- 19 company. Is that right?
- 20 A. Yes, under the title direct owners and executive officers,
- 21 yes, it would be consistent with that.
- 22 Q. Further down that page, it also lists, asks that the
- 23 investment adviser list direct, in the case of a corporation,
- 24 that is, the direct owners -- sorry. Withdrawn.
- 25 For direct owners of a corporation, the form looks to

- those who own at least 5 percent of the voting shares of the investment advisory firm, right?
- 3 A. I believe that's correct, yes.
- Q. So in the course of filling out this form, the investment
- 5 adviser lists these individuals and entities that meet criteria
- 6 | that are specified in the form, right?
- 7 A. Yes, for this particular question, it does, yes.
- 8 Q. Then they're asked to indicate whether or not those
- 9 | individuals are control persons. Is that right?
- 10 A. I just don't recall if that is the way the question is
- 11 phrased. You might be right.
- 12 | Q. We can turn to the next page to take a look at that if that
- 13 | would be helpful?
- 14 | A. Sure.
- 15 Ms. HARRIS: Turning, Mr. Jackson, if you could
- 16 | highlight Point 7 A. If you can actually expand that box just
- 17 | a little bit, just above.
- 18 BY MS. HARRIS:
- 19 Q. So it asks in the control person column, you indicate "yes"
- 20 | if the person has control as defined in the glossary of terms
- 21 | to Form ADV and enter "no" if the person does not have control.
- 22 | Is that right?
- 23 A. Yes, that's right.
- Q. We'll get to this a little bit later, but just to be clear,
- 25 | at this stage you're only indicating whether or not the people

- 1 | who are direct owners or executive officers are control people.
- 2 | Is that right?
- 3 A. I am sorry. Your question trailed off. Ask again.
- 4 | Q. Sorry about that.
- At this stage, the investment adviser is only indicating whether or not the people who are listed in that
- 7 portion of the form are control people. Is that right?
- 8 A. I believe that's what 7 A is asking for, yes.
- 9 Q. Then there is a second part of the disclosure that we
- 10 discussed earlier, and that is indirect owners. Is that right?
- 11 A. Yes, that's correct.
- MS. HARRIS: If you could turn to Page 30,
- 13 Mr. Jackson.
- 14 Q. Here again the form lists specific ownership thresholds
- 15 | that trigger disclosure. Is that right?
- 16 | A. Yes.
- 17 Q. And in the case of a corporation, that threshold is 25
- 18 percent or more of the company's voting shares. Is that right?
- 19 | A. Yes, although we're now talking about indirect owners.
- 20 Q. Exactly?
- 21 | A. We're talking about a corporation that owns another
- 22 corporation that is the owner of the advisory, yes.
- 23 Q. Exactly.
- 24 | A. Yes.
- 25 | Q. The investment adviser fills out out information all the

Case 1:16-cr-00371-RA Document 585 Filed 08/22/18 Page 163 of 215 I66JGAL4 Laby - cross way up the ownership chain as you just mentioned, right? A. I am not sure what you mean by all the way up the ownership chain. I think it is asking for both direct owners and then indirect owners. (Continued on next page) 

## 1 BY MS. HARRIS:

- 2 | Q. So, in the event an indirect owner is in turn owned by
- 3 another company, you'd indicate the ownership -- you'd indicate
- 4 | the individuals who qualify under the definitions of ownership
- 5 | in this section; is that right?
- 6 A. No, I'd have to go back and take a more careful look to
- 7 determine how many levels back the advisor has to go, as it
- 8 were, with respect to indirect owners. I just don't --
- 9 | Q. Turning to point 3 on the form right there, is that what
- 10 | it's describing?
- 11 | A. Yes. Can I take a look at that for a second?
- 12 Q. Of course.
- 13 A. Yes, the instruction indicates here how far back to go, as
- 14 | it were, with respect to indirect owners.
- 15 | Q. And it also indicates there that once a reporting company
- 16 | is reached, no further ownership need be given; is that right?
- 17 A. That's what it says, yes.
- 18 | Q. And just as we saw with the direct ownership chart --
- 19 | turning to the next page, Mr. Jackson -- here again it asks
- 20 | that for any individual or entity that you're listing, and that
- 21 qualifies under those specific ownership thresholds, that you
- 22 | indicate whether or not that person is a control person; is
- 23 | that right?
- 24 A. Yes, that's what this is asking for under item 7.
- 25 | Q. And it refers to the glossary of terms to the form ADV. Do

- 1 | you see that in point 7?
- 2 A. Yes, I see it.
- Q. And are you familiar with the glossary of terms in the form
- 4 ADV?
- 5 A. I'm generally familiar with it, yes.
- 6 | Q. And the glossary states -- again consistent with what we
- 7 saw earlier in the definition -- that officers, partners and
- 8 | directors exercising executive responsibility are presumed to
- 9 have control. Is that right?
- 10 A. I don't recall the specific language. I'd have to take a
- 11 | look. I don't doubt what you're saying, but I don't remember.
- 12 | Q. Well, let's turn to -- Mr. Jackson, if you could pull up
- 13 4757. Sorry, just for the court and the attorneys and the
- 14 | witness.
- Professor Laby, do you recognize this as the general
- 16 | instructions that accompany the form ADV?
- 17 | A. I do.
- 18 | Q. And, Mr. Jackson, if you could turn to page 28 -- sorry,
- 19 | 27.
- 20 Do you recognize this as the glossary of terms that
- 21 | accompanies the form ADV?
- 22 | A. Yes, I do.
- MS. HARRIS: Your Honor, if we could publish this to
- 24 | the jury as a demonstrative.
- MR. QUIGLEY: No objection.

Turning back to 28, do you see point 9 there the definition 1 2 of control? 3 And, Mr. Jackson, if you could highlight in 4 particular, I'm sorry, the first two bullet points under 5 control. Actually you can down point 9 and the first two 6 bullet points. That would be great. 7 And professor Laby, this indicates that the firm's officers, partners, directors, exercising executive 8 9 responsibility are presumed to control the firm; is that right? 10 May I read it just for one moment? Α. Of course, yes. 11 Ο. 12 THE COURT: Just let me know when it would be a good 13 time to take our afternoon break. 14 MS. HARRIS: Whenever is convenient for your Honor, of 15 course. THE COURT: So, we will take a quick break. Please 16 remember don't discuss the case, and keep an open mind. 17 18 (Continued on next page) 19 20 21 22 23 24 25

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1	(Jury not present)
2	THE COURT: Why don't we come back no more than ten
3	minutes.
4	MS. MERMELSTEIN: Could we raise a quick scheduling
5	matter? We have one more witness, who we had frankly as you
6	know, worried we wouldn't get through. I now fear we're going
7	to end a little bit early. The next witness is Raycen Raines,
8	and if we put him on now, we're not going to finish, and then
9	there are witnesses who have to testify Monday, so I'm inclined
10	to say we should just finish at whatever time. We're trying to
11	be efficient, but I think it just doesn't make sense.
12	THE COURT: That's fine, so we will just do that.
13	MS. MERMELSTEIN: Thank you, your Honor.
14	(Recess)
15	THE COURT: While we're waiting. Do you want to tell
16	me what issues you need rulings on for next week.
17	MS. MERMELSTEIN: Sure, your Honor. So, I don't think
18	there has been a final ruling on the Francisco Martin gold bar
19	issue. I will note the witness is here, but given where we
20	are, I don't think it matters unless anyone objects.
21	The lending
22	THE COURT: I'm inclined to keep the gold bars out of
23	the cross of Francisco Martin, but go ahead.
24	MS. MERMELSTEIN: The lending issue

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1 (Jury present)

2 THE COURT: Thank you. You can be seated.

You may proceed.

MS. HARRIS: Thank you, your Honor. Mr. Jackson, if we could pull up the demonstrative that we were just looking at, the form ADV glossary.

- Q. Professor Laby, focusing on again point 9 where we left off, the definition of control, would you agree that this definition gives a few examples of potential sources of control; is that right?
- May I just read it? That's where I think we left off.
- 12 Ο. Of course.
  - And, Mr. Jackson, you can pull up the entire definition there.
  - A. Yes, this is the SEC's definition of control, that's right, for purposes of the form ADV.
  - Q. For purposes of the form ADV. And it states that officers, partners and directors exercising executive responsibility are presumed to have control; is that right?
  - A. Yes, that's correct.
- 21 Q. And turning to another example in that list there, in the case of a corporation, a person with 25 percent of a 22 23 corporation's voting rights is presumed to have control; is
- 24 that correct?
  - I'm sorry, just bear with me for one second. Yes, that's

1 right.

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- And would you agree that nonvoting shares do not create a 2 3 presumption of control under this definition?
  - Sorry. Can you ask the question again. Α.
- 5 Of course. Would you agree that nonvoting shares do not 6 create a presumption of control in the case of this definition?
- 7 A. Yes, under this definition I would agree with you.
- doesn't necessarily mean that that person would never be in a 8
- 9 controlling position, but under this definition that's correct.
- 10 So for the purposes of the form ADV and the definition of
- control that the form ADV provides, nonvoting shares do not 11
- 12 create a presumption of control, correct?
- 13 A. Nonvoting shares alone do not create that presumption,
- 14 that's correct.
- 15 And you would agree also that none of these examples
- describes ad hoc influence; is that right? 16
- 17 A. Well, I'm not sure that's quite right, because the first
- bullet indicates that each of the firm's officers, partners or 18
- 19 directors exercising executive responsibility, or persons
- 20 having similar status or functions, are presumed to control, so
- 21 I'm not sure exactly what you mean by ad hoc, but this suggests
- 22 that if somebody who doesn't have that formal title generally
- 23 exercises a similar function, then they are presumed to have
- 24 control.
- 25 And a similar function, just looking at that list Sure.

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- for a moment, officers, partners or directors, that describes
  generally people with formal legal duties toward a corporate
  organization; is that right?
  - A. It does include individuals with formal legal duties. I think it would also include those with business duties as well, not just legal.
- Q. Sure. So day-to-day responsibilities that are akin to those of a firm's officers or partners or directors; is that right?
  - A. It can be day-to-day, although in the case of directors they typically don't have day-to-day responsibility, they have more strategic responsibility.
- 13 | Q. Sure.
- 14 A. So I think it can be both.
- 15 Q. And supervisory authority; is that right?
- 16 A. That's right.
- Q. Now, professor Laby, I'd also like to ask you a few questions about the concept of liquidity.
- 19 A. Sure.
- Q. Now, liquidity or a liquid investment, that can mean a number of different things; is that right?
- 22 MS. MERMELSTEIN: Objection, your Honor.
- 23 THE COURT: Overruled.
- A. I'm not sure I would say it means a number of things. I

  have an understanding of liquidity. I'm not sure that I would

- 1 | agree that it means a number of things.
- 2 | Q. Of course, I will rephrase the question to make it a little
- 3 | bit clearer. It can mean something as straightforward as cash
- 4 on hand; is that right?
- 5 A. No, I wouldn't define liquidity as quote cash on hand.
- 6 That's not how I would define or describe liquidity.
- 7 Q. So maybe to put it a different way, if the company has "a
- 8 | lot of liquidity, " you'd understand that to mean that the
- 9 company has a lot of available cash; is that right?
- 10 MS. MERMELSTEIN: Objection to beyond the scope, your
- Honor.
- 12 | THE COURT: Is this something you feel qualified to
- 13 | answer?
- 14 | WITNESS: I feel qualified to talk about liquidity
- 15 generally, yes.
- 16 | THE COURT: OK, overruled. You can answer that
- 17 | question.
- 18 Q. Would you like me to repeat the question?
- 19 A. Yes, please.
- 20 | Q. If a company has a lot of liquidity, you would understand
- 21 | that to mean that the company has a lot of available cash; is
- 22 | that right?
- 23 | A. It could mean that. That's not how I generally view the
- 24 | term liquidity. I'm not suggesting it never means that, but it
- 25 might or it might not.

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- Q. Mr. Jackson, could you pull up just for the court, the lawyers and the witness what has been marked as DX4791 for identification at page 49.
  - MS. MERMELSTEIN: One more time?
  - MS. HARRIS: That's DX4791 at pdf page 49.
- And if you could highlight at line 2 -- I'm sorry -- from line 2 to line 5 I think it is -- or line 6.
- And, your Honor, I'd ask to move this in as DX4791 for impeachment.
- MS. MERMELSTEIN: Objection, your Honor. I don't think it's inconsistent.
- 12 | THE COURT: I'm sorry. Is this his deposition?
- MS. HARRIS: No, this is prior testimony, your Honor.
- 14 | THE COURT: No, I don't think it should be admitted.
- 15 Q. Well, professor Laby, does that refresh your recollection
- 16 | that in general you would understand a company that has a lot
- 17 of liquidity to mean that the company has a lot of available
- 18 | cash?
- 19 A. I think -- what's the question? What's the question you're
- 20 asking?
- 21 | Q. So my question is: If I say that a company has a lot of
- 22 | liquidity, would you understand that to mean that the company
- 23 | has a lot of available cash?
- 24 A. As I said earlier, I think it can mean that; it depends on
- 25 | the circumstances. When I think about the term liquidity, the

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- way I understand the industry and the way I teach that term in
  my securities regulation class and my business organizations
  class, it means something a bit different, but again it could
  mean this depending on the circumstances.
  - Q. And we can talk about a couple of other meanings that might be assigned to liquidity. I just wanted to address this one in particular first.

So, moving on to the other potential definitions of liquidity, would you agree that it could also mean the ease by which a stock or bond is bought and sold?

- A. Yes, I would agree that that's generally what the term liquidity refers to.
- Q. And so if I describe a stock as illiquid, that would just mean that there aren't as many buyers and sellers for that particular stock; is that right?
- A. Right, there are not as many buyers and sellers in the market, that's correct.
- Q. And the same would be true for a bond. There is no distinction between the two of them for the purposes of describing them as liquid or illiquid, right?
- 21 A. I would generally agree with that, yes.
- Q. And there is nothing inherently unusual about illiquid investments, is there?
- 24 A. There is nothing unusual about them, no.
  - | Q. Private equity investments are typically illiquid; is that

right?

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- I'm not necessarily an expert on the precise liquidity of 2
- 3 private equity investments, but I have heard generally speaking
- that those kinds of investments tend to be less liquid than 4
- other kinds of investments. 5
- 6 Q. And real estate is also typically thought of as an illiquid
- 7 investment; is that right?
- That is correct. 8 Α.
- 9 Q. So in calling a particular investment illiquid, we're not
- 10 actually talking about whether an investment is a good
- 11 investment or a bad investment; is that right?
- 12 Again that depends on the circumstances, and it depends on
- 13 the investor. For certain investors an illiquid investment
- 14 might not be appropriate and therefore might be considered a
- 15 bad investment.
- 16 0. Sure.
- 17 But that doesn't mean that qualitatively it's a bad
- investment. Again, these questions all depend on the context. 18
- So you're distinguishing between suitability on the one 19
- 20 hand and the profitability of the investment on the other; is
- 21 that right?
- 22 A. Right, exactly. So for some kinds of clients the lack of
- 23 liquidity might mean that the investment is not a good
- 24 investment for that investor.
- 25 But putting aside the question of suitability, with respect

- to just the potential for profitability, an illiquid investment could also be a profitable investment, correct?
- 3 A. Yes, correct.

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- MS. HARRIS: Your Honor, if I could have just one moment.
- THE COURT: Yes.
- 7 MS. HARRIS: I have no further questions, your Honor.
- 8 THE COURT: Any additional cross-examination?
  - MR. TOUGER: Very briefly, your Honor.
- 10 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 11 BY MR. TOUGER:
- 12 Q. Good afternoon, professor Laby.
- 13 A. Hello.
- 14 | Q. By the way, my son is a proud grad of Rutgers University,
- 15 so thank you.
- 16 A. I didn't hear what you said.
- Q. My son is a proud graduate Rutgers University, so thank you.
- Your whole testimony had to do with the regulations and responsibilities of investment managers, correct, and
- 21 | investment advisors?
- 22 A. I think it also had to do with the customs and practices of
- 23 | investment advisors.
- 24 | Q. Of investment advisors, right?
- 25 A. I think generally we were speaking about investment

- 1 | advisors, yes.
- 2 | Q. If somebody isn't an investment advisor, then they're not
- 3 subject to the same rules that you went through on your direct,
- 4 correct?
- 5 A. Well, that's not necessarily the case. I talked a little
- 6 bit about fiduciary duties. Those duties and obligations apply
- 7 | in a number of instances, not only to investment advisors.
- 8 Q. OK. If somebody is a coinvestor and not an advisor but an
- 9 investor, they don't have any fiduciary responsibility to the
- 10 | other investor.
- 11 A. That depends on the circumstances. If they're partners in
- 12 | a partnership and coinvest --
- 13 Q. No, they have no relationship whatsoever, they're just two
- 14 people investing in the same thing.
- 15 A. Two people who are investing in the same thing typically
- 16 don't owe fiduciary duties, but again they might. It just
- 17 depends on the facts and circumstances.
- 18 | Q. But in general your testimony concerns the duties and
- 19 responsibilities and fiduciary responsibility of an investment
- 20 manager and advisors to their clients.
- 21 A. Yes, I think generally the questions were about advisors,
- 22 | if I recall.
- 23 | Q. And that's what you were talking about on direct.
- 24 A. Yes, that's correct.
- 25 MR. TOUGER: Nothing further.

- 1 THE COURT: Anything, Ms. Notari?
- CROSS EXAMINATION 2
- BY MS. NOTARI: 3

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- 4 So, professor, basically what you're saying is that the
- 5 determination as to whether someone has a fiduciary duty as an
- investment advisor is a fact-based inquiry, correct? 6
- 7 Oh, no, that's not what I said.
  - Well, it's a determination based on multiple factors.
- 9 No, that's not correct. So there is no question that
- 10 investment advisors, as the term is defined -- and I defined it
- 11 during my direct examination -- that advisors, those persons
- 12 and firms owe a fiduciary duty to their clients.
- 13 OK. And whether someone rises to the level of being an 0.
- 14 investment advisor is a determination based on certain factors.
- 15 Α. Well, it's a defined term.
- There is not just one standard, correct? 16
- 17 There is a definition under the federal securities laws.
- It's in Section 202(a)(11) of the relevant statute. We can 18
- look at that definition which I gave during my examination and 19
- 20 then make a determination if somebody qualifies as an
- 21 investment advisor under that definition.
- 22 In this case the government did not review the facts of
- 23 this case with you, correct?
- 24 That's correct. Α.
- 25 You don't know what my client, Bevan Cooney, you don't know

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- 1 | what he is charged with, correct?
- 2 A. I do not.
- 3 | Q. You don't know any facts about his case.
- 4 A. I do not.

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- Q. And you don't know whether -- if -- withdrawn.
- No further questions.
- 7 THE COURT: All right.
- 8 MS. MERMELSTEIN: Very, very briefly, your Honor.
- 9 | REDIRECT EXAMINATION
- 10 BY MS. MERMELSTEIN:
- 11 Q. Mr. Jackson, would it be all right if I asked you to pull up 4757. Thank you.
- While we're doing that, let me ask you, professor
- 14 Laby, you were asked a fair number of questions on
- 15 | cross-examination about if people work at a firm that's an
- 16 | investment advisor are themselves an investment advisor. I
- 17 | just want to make sure I understood what you said. Clerical
- 18 staff, someone who answers the phones, or an IT person, doesn't
- 19 | have fiduciary duties just because they work at a place that's
- 20 | an investment advisor. Have I gotten that right?
- 21 A. That's correct.
- 22 | Q. But people who directly give advice to the clients, or who
- 23 participate in the business of giving advice to clients, have
- 24 | those same fiduciary duties as the firm.
- 25 A. Yes, that's correct. I think I used the phrase "involved

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- with the giving of advice, "those individuals would also be considered fiduciaries.
- 3 | Q. Mr. Jackson, can we go to page 28 of this, please.

So, we were looking earlier at the definition of control, and you were asked a fair amount about the bullet points underneath the sort of intro section to control.

The control definition itself though says the power directly or indirectly to direct the management or policies of a person, whether through ownership of securities, by contract, or otherwise.

So, the notion of control is not sort of a bureaucratic notion of what you're technical title is, right?

It's someone who exerts control over the investment advisor has to be disclosed. Am I right about that?

MR. SCHWARTZ: Objection to form.

THE COURT: Overruled.

- Q. Go ahead, professor Laby.
- A. Yes, that's right. As you can see, it says the power directly or indirectly to direct the management or policies, whether that's in some formal way through owning securities, whether that's a formal contract that the parties have signed, or otherwise, meaning in some other way, shape or form.
- Q. And the bullet points that follow give presumptions where in certain circumstances by virtue of position there is going

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- 1 to be a presumption that a person is exercising control, right?
- 2 A. Yes, that's correct.
- 3 Q. Those bullet points are not a limitation on who is deemed
- 4 | to exercise control, right?
- A. I don't believe so, no, they are not a final list. They
  are simply examples, as I think was indicated during my other
- 7 questions and answers.
- 8 MS. MERMELSTEIN: Nothing further, your Honor.
- 9 THE COURT: Any other questions?
- 10 All right. Thanks, you can step down. Thank you.
- 11 (Witness excused)
- 12 | THE COURT: You can call your next witness.
- 13 MS. MERMELSTEIN: The government calls Clifford Moore.
- 14 CLIFTON MOORE,
- called as a witness by the government,
- having been duly sworn, testified as follows:
- 17 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 18 BY MS. MERMELSTEIN:
- 19 Q. Good afternoon, Mr. Moore.
- 20 A. Good afternoon.
- 21 Q. Where do you currently work?
- 22 | A. Michelin Tire Company.
- 23 | Q. And what is the Michelin Tire Company?
- 24 A. We're a manufacturer of tires that operates all over the
- 25 world.

- 1 Q. And what kind of tires does Michelin make?
- 2 A. Primarily car and truck tires, but pretty much anything
- 3 with tires from bicycles to the space shuttle.
- 4 | Q. Approximately how many employees does Michelin have in the
- 5 United States?
- 6 A. Approximately 16,000.
- 7 | Q. And in what areas do those employees principally work?
- 8 A. Most of them are manufacturing employees.
- 9 Q. Meaning they actually make the tires.
- 10 A. That's right.
- 11 | Q. When did you begin working at Michelin?
- 12 | A. In August of 2000.
- 13 | Q. And what is your current title?
- 14 A. I am the portfolio manager and chief investment officer for
- 15 | the Michelin retirement plans.
- 16 | Q. And how long have you held that title?
- 17 | A. Since 2013.
- 18 | Q. Did you begin your career at Michelin in a financial role?
- 19 | A. No, I have an undergraduate degree in engineering, and I
- 20 | started working in research and development working on
- 21 | industrializing new materials for making tires.
- 22  $\parallel$  Q. When did you transition to working in a financial role?
- 23 | A. In 2005.
- 24 Q. You mentioned the Michelin pension fund. What is the
- 25 | Michelin pension fund?

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- A. It is a retirement plan that's a defined benefit plan, and it's a benefit provided to employees that gives them income in retirement, and the amount they get is based on the number of years they worked and their average salary.
  - Q. And what is a defined benefit plan?
  - A. It's a type of retirement plan where there is a formula that determines the benefit, based on salary and years of work, and there is different forms that a person can take that benefit in, but typically it would be a payment for the rest of their life.
    - Q. Approximately how many current and former Michelin employees are covered by the pension plan?
  - A. It's approximately 25,000.
- Q. Generally speaking, what types of employees are covered by the pension plan?
- 16 A. Again it would mostly be manufacturing employees.
- Q. What is the typical monthly payment to a retiree under the plan?
- A. It would vary a lot with how many years they worked, but on average about \$2,000 per month.
- 21 | Q. Now, who is responsible for Michelin's pension plan?
- A. There is a pension board that is the named fiduciary, so
  they have primary responsibility, so that's made up of some
  senior executives in the company. Then they delegate
  responsibility down to an investment committee, which I'm a

- member of, and then my team, the retirement investment staff, handles the day-to-day management of the fund.
- 3 | Q. How does Michelin fund the pension plan of its employees?
  - A. Through contributions made by the company into the fund.
- 5 Q. What happens if the contributions that the company has
- 6 made, the investments don't do well enough to pay out the
- 7 pensions that are owed?
- 8 A. The company would have to make additional contributions to
- 9 satisfy the benefit payment requirements.
- 10 | Q. Who makes the decisions about the investment strategies in
- 11 | the pension plan?
- 12 A. The investment committee.
- 13 | Q. And does the investment committee then go out and actually
- 14 make investments itself, or does it rely on others?
- 15 | A. We hire external investment managers to make the actual
- 16 decisions about which securities to buy and sell.
- 17 | Q. Approximately how many different managers is Michelin using
- 18 | at any one time?
- 19 A. Approximately 30.
- 20  $\parallel$  Q. And what is the total value of all of the assets that are
- 21 | in the Michelin pension plan?
- 22 | A. It's about \$3 billion.
- 23 | O. Billion with a B?
- 24 A. That's right.
- 25 | Q. Now, who supervises the managers that work for Michelin?

- A. The investment committee and then myself, as well as my other coworkers.
  - Q. Let me ask you if you can pull your microphone a little close to you but not too close.
  - A. All right.
- 6 Q. Are you familiar with a fixed income manager?
- 7 A. Yes.

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- 8 | Q. What is a fixed income manager?
- 9 A. A fixed income manager would buy bonds issued by governments or corporations primarily.
- 11 Q. Does Michelin use any fixed income managers?
- 12 A. Yes, a lot of our portfolio is invested in fixed income.
- 13 | Q. Why?
- A. Fixed income is a good choice for a pension plan because
  it's not as volatile as stocks and other types of investments,
  and it provides a regular cash flow stream that is similar to
- 17 | the benefit payments that need to be made to the participants.
- 18 Q. Are you familiar with an asset management firm called
- 19 Hughes Capital Management?
- 20 | A. Yes.
- 21 | Q. How?
- A. We were a client of Hughes Capital Management from 1999 through 2014.
- MS. MERMELSTEIN: Your Honor, I would now like to move in, I understand without objection, the following Government's

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               MR. SCHWARTZ: Could I have that list again.
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               MS. MERMELSTEIN: Of course, 130 to 132, 134 to 135,
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      2607, 136, 927, 2632, 2411 and 137.
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               MR. SCHWARTZ: Say the last two again.
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               MS. MERMELSTEIN: 2411 and 137.
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               THE COURT: No objection?
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               MR. SCHWARTZ: Give me one second, your Honor.
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               THE COURT: Sure.
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               MR. SCHWARTZ: I'm sorry.
               MS. MERMELSTEIN: Why don't I lay the foundation for
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               MR. SCHWARTZ: There is certainly no problem with the
      100s.
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      Q. So let me direct your attention --
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               THE COURT: So the 100s will be admitted.
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               MS. MERMELSTEIN: Thank you, your Honor.
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               (Government Exhibits 130, 131, 132, 134, 135, 136, 137
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     received in evidence)
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      Q. Let me direct your attention to Government Exhibit 130, 132
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exhibits. Are those the agreements, the Hughes agreements

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- between Hughes and Michelin -- and their addendums, I should
  have said.
  - A. Yes, it's the investment management agreement and amendments to the agreement.
    - Q. Let's pull up Government Exhibit 130, please, for the jury.

Now, let me ask you, according to this agreement, what kind of manager is Hughes with respect to its work for Michelin? Paragraph 1 I'm looking at.

- A. 1? According to this they are a domestic bond investment manager.
- Q. If we can turn to the next page and look at paragraph 4, please.

What does this indicate about the nature of Hughes' authority to make investments for Michelin?

- A. It indicates they have discretionary authority to choose which investments to purchase or sell.
- Q. Does that mean that Hughes could make any investment it wanted for Michelin?
  - A. No, there were some restrictions in their investment management agreement as well as part of our investment policy.
- Q. Let's go ahead to Exhibit B1 to this document, which I think is page 7 in the pdf, Ms.Sheinwald.

According to this section of the agreement, what was the investment objective of Michelin's investments through Hughes?

- A. It was to replicate the Lehman Brothers

  Government/Corporate Index.
- 3 Q. What was the Lehman Brothers Government/Corporate Index?
- 4 A. It was a collection of government and corporate bonds, so
- 5 | it was a list of the bonds that make up the index as well as
- 6 the percentage amount of each bond that was in that index.
- Q. So just so everyone understands, you can't buy the Lehman
- 8 Index; it's not like a mutual fund.
- 9 A. Right. You could invest in a mutual fund that would track
- 10 | the index, but you can't invest directly in the index.
- 11 Q. Index is just a list of various securities and allocations
- 12 to those securities.
- 13 A. That's right.
- 14 | Q. So when this says that the portfolio is going to be
- 15 | invested in domestic fixed income as an index fund to replicate
- 16 | the Lehman Brothers index, what does that mean about Hughes'
- 17 | direction?
- 18 A. It means that they should put together a portfolio that
- 19 contains bonds that are in that index in such a way that the
- 20 performance of the portfolio would closely track the index, so
- 21 | they didn't have a goal to outperform the index but just to
- 22 match it.
- 23 Q. Did there come a time that Michelin directed Hughes to move
- 24 away from this index to a different index?
- 25 A. Yes, at some point we changed to the Lehman Brothers Long

- 1 Government Index.
- 2 | Q. Let's pull up Government Exhibit 131, please. Is this what
- 3 | you were talking about when you said it switched to the Long
- 4 | Government Index?
- 5 | A. Yes.
- 6 | Q. Now, how does that change the direction of Hughes
- 7 investing?
- 8 A. So this index would only contain U.S. government bonds, so
- 9 | no corporate bonds, and the long indicates it would be bonds
- 10 | that had a maturity of ten years or longer.
- 11 | Q. So now the only thing that's going to be invested in is
- 12 U.S. government bonds?
- 13 A. That's right.
- 14 | Q. Let's go back to Government Exhibit 130 for a moment,
- 15  $\parallel$  please, and if we can go to page 11 of the document in the pdf.
- 16 Let me direct your attention to section 5, portfolio
- 17 | quidelines. Let me ask you to read paragraph 2.
- 18 | A. OK. "For directly held securities, no more than 10 percent
- 19 of the market value of the account managed on behalf of the
- 20 master trust may be held in the securities of any one
- 21 corporation or entity (except U.S. government guaranteed or
- 22 | agency securities, to which no restrictions apply) with the
- 23 exception of private placement category.
- Q. So what does this mean in lay person terms?
- 25 A. We were trying to limit our exposure to investments that

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- could lose significant value, so we didn't want to have any
  more than 10 percent invested in an entity other than the U.S.
  government.
  - Q. And just so it's not confusing, this agreement was before the switch to the index that would only allow government bonds anyway.
  - A. That's right.
- Q. And why is it that there is no limitation on U.S.
- 9 government bonds?
- 10 A. We believe that the probability of the U.S. government not
  11 making interest payments and principal payments on their bonds
- 12 to be extremely low.
- Q. Could we turn to the next page, please, and let me ask you to read the paragraph that begins under the paragraph numbered 4 that begins "unless".
- 16 A. "Unless authorized in specific manager guidelines, managers
- may not sell securities short, buy securities on margin, buy
- 18 private placements or restricted securities, borrow money or
- 19 pledge assets, nor buy or sell financial futures, options,
- 20 commodities or currencies."
- 21 Q. And why did Michelin preclude private placements or 22 restricted securities?
- 23 A. Private placement securities have limited documentation.
- 24 They are not rated by a rating agency, so they are less liquid.
- 25 There is less buyers and sellers; it can only be bought by

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- qualified investors, and so we wanted to limit our exposure to 1 2 those.
  - Q. Now I want to look briefly at the Hughes portfolio for Michelin in the spring of 2015.

Mr. Schwartz, am I OK on 2607?

MR. SCHWARTZ: Yes. Can I talk to you for one second?

MS. MERMELSTEIN: Of course.

Can I have one moment, your Honor?

THE COURT: Sure.

If anyone wants to stand and stretch, you are welcome to do so.

MS. MERMELSTEIN: Your Honor, I'm now going to move in on consent 2607, 2632 and 2411.

THE COURT: OK.

(Government Exhibits 2607, 2632 and 2411 received in evidence)

In we can now publish 2607, please.

Do you recognize this e-mail?

- Α. Yes.
- And what is attached to it? Ο.
- 21 It is a report from Hughes Capital on our portfolio. Α.
- 22 And let's go to the actual attachment, please.

23 Now, what is the significance of the green versus the 24 blue bars here?

The blue bars are our portfolio, and the green bars are the

- 1 | index that it is measured against.
- Q. What does this indicate in the quality distribution section?
- 4 A. In the quality distribution section, it's just showing that
- 5 99 percent of our portfolio was bonds that were rated AAA and
- 6 one percent were bonds that were rated AA.
- 7 Q. Looking down to the chart at the bottom, what does sector
- 8 distribution mean?
- 9 A. This chart is showing the amount of bonds that were
- 10 allocated to U.S. government bonds versus U.S. government
- 11 agency bonds.
- 12 | Q. And what is the allocation?
- 13 A. Let's see if I can make it out. It looks like 85 percent
- 14 was U.S. government bonds and 14 percent was U.S. government
- 15 | agency bonds.
- 16 Q. Can we turn to the next page. Let's go one more, actually.
- OK. What does this indicate about the holdings of the
- 18 | Hughes portfolio for Michelin in the spring of 2014?
- 19 A. It is showing the individual securities that were held in
- 20 | the portfolio, it's a collection of U.S. treasury bonds and
- 21 U.S. government agency bonds, and then a small allocation to
- 22 cash.
- 23 | Q. Did there come a time that you learned that Hughes Capital
- 24 | Management had been acquired?
- 25 A. Yes.

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- 1 | Q. How did you learn that?
  - A. Through a letter.
- 3 Q. And do you remember approximately when that was?
- 4  $\parallel$  A. I believe that was in August of 2014.
- 5 \ Q. Who was the letter from?
- 6 A. I'm not sure. I think the original letter came from
- 7 Frankie Hughes, the former owner of Hughes Capital Management.
- 8 Q. And did you subsequently get a communication from the new
- 9 | owners?
- 10 | A. Yes.
- 11 | Q. So let me -- let's pull up Government Exhibit 136, please.
- 12 | Is this that communication?
- 13 | A. Yes.
- 14 Q. OK. And if we can look at the last paragraph in this
- 15 page -- actually let's skip to the next page, page 2. And can
- 16 | I ask you to read the entire third paragraph beginning "With
- 17 | the imposition..."
- 18 | A. "With the imposition of our socially responsible screen we
- 19 | are precluded from direct or indirect investments in gaming, so
- 20 many Native American fixed-income opportunities are
- 21 | functionally closed to our strategy. Accordingly, we
- 22 | identified a non-gaming opportunity in the ten year 5.62
- 23 percent special limited revenue bonds (taxable) series of 2014
- 24 | (economic development program) of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, OST.
- 25 The OST has funded a long-term pension plan with the proceeds

- of the offering. We participated in the offering for a number of reasons and have a high degree of conviction about the prospect of the OST plan in long-term value creation. We concluded the yield enhancement of 310 basis points over the curve adequately compensates us for risk. Accordingly, we made an allocation in your portfolio. The allocation is within the investment guidelines prescribed by investment management
- 9 Q. Let me talk about this a little bit more. Was the allocation within the investment guidelines?

agreement already in place with HCM.

11 | A. It was not.

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- Q. Now, at the very beginning of that paragraph there is a reference to the Hughes socially responsible screen. Prior to new management taking over in 2014, had Hughes had a socially responsible focus?
- 16 A. They did not.
- Q. And what was -- did Michelin have a mandate to make socially responsible investments?
- 19 A. We did not.
- 20 Q. Is socially responsible investing relevant to the type of

fixed income strategy that Hughes was effectuating for

- 22 | Michelin?
- 23 A. Not for a U.S. government bond portfolio, no.
- 24 || Q. Why is that?
  - A. Because typically socially responsible investing would be

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- related to corporations that have good governance, or are doing things to avoid polluting the environment, things like that.
- 3 | It typically does not pertain to a U.S. government security.
- 4 Q. Now, what was your reaction to learning that new management
- 5 | had purchased a Native American bond into the Michelin account?
  - A. It did not fit with our expectations of what they should be purchasing for this type of account.
- Q. Did you have any idea at this point in time how big a purchase had been made?
- 10 A. I did not. All I had was the information in the letter at 11 that time.
- Q. Did you have any understanding of whether the investment of the bonds were restricted or had been via a private placement?
- 14 A. Not at this point, no.
- 15 Q. Did anyone prior to this purchase being put into the
- 16 Michelin account, did anyone at Hughes ever disclose who had
- funded Morton and Deary's acquisition of Hughes?
- 18 A. No.
- 19 Q. Did anyone ever tell you about a relationship between
- 20 | Burnham Securities and Hughes?
- 21 | A. No.
- 22 | Q. Did anyone tell you who had served as the placement agent
- 23 | for these Wakpamni bonds?
- 24 | A. No.

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Q. If you had known that the entity that served as the

- placement agent was also involved in funding the acquisition of 1 Hughes, what would your reaction have been? 2
- 3 MR. SCHWARTZ: Objection.
- 4 THE COURT: I will allow that.
  - Ο. You can answer the question.
  - I would see that as a conflict of interest. Α. OK.
    - And would it have mattered to you? Q.
    - Α. Yes.

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- What did Michelin decide to do with respect to its Ο. relationship with Hughes in September of 2014?
- 11 We decided to terminate our relationship with Hughes.
- 12 Q. Why?

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- The biggest driver at that point was turnover in the 14 management of the account, so we had had a portfolio manager that we worked with for several years who had left the firm 15
- earlier that year, and then the person who took his place 16
- 17 decided to leave the company as well in September of 2014, and
- 18 that was what prompted us to move forward with terminating the
- 19 relationship.
- 20 Q. At the time that you made that decision, had you yet
- 21 learned about the purchase of the Wakpamni bonds?
- 22 I had gotten this letter at that point, but I still did not
- 23 know the exact amount that had been purchased.
- 24 Q. And how did you communicate the fact of your termination to
- 25 Hughes?

1  $\parallel$  A. By letter.

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Q. So maybe I can just pull up 927.

3 OK, Mr. Schwartz?

MR. SCHWARTZ: No objection.

MS. MERMELSTEIN: And we will pull up 927 for everyone, and the government offers 927.

THE COURT: 927 will be admitted.

(Government Exhibit 927 received in evidence)

- Q. And if we can turn to the attachment of that e-mail, please.
- 11 | A. OK.
- 12 | Q. Is this the termination letter were you talking about?
- 13 | A. Yes.
- 14 | Q. And what is the date of that letter?
- 15 A. It is October the 10th, 2014.
- 16 Q. Now, if you look at the second paragraph in this letter,
- 17 | you indicate that you have retained Northern Trust Investments
- 18 to manage the transition of the portfolio. What does that
- 19 | mean?
- 20 | A. When we decide to change investment managers we sometimes
- 21 | use a transition manager to transition the account from one
- 22 | manager to the other, and the purpose of that is so that they
- 23 would sell the securities and buy the new securities for the
- 24 | incoming manager in a cost efficient way.
- 25 | Q. If you look at the end of that paragraph, you indicate that

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you're going to transition to Northern Trust except with respect to the Wakpamni bonds, which you would like for Hughes to dispose of. Why did you leave that responsibility to Hughes?

A. I gave the list of securities to the Northern Trust transition team, and they tried to find the buyer for this bond but were unable to do so, and so they asked that I have Hughes sell it prior to the termination date.

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- Q. Let me now turn your attention to Government Exhibit 2632 and if we can pull that up, please. Let's go to the attachment.
  - Q. This is that same report we looked at before?
- 5 A. Right, with an end date of September 30, 2014.
- Q. This is the first report following the purchase of the Wakpamni bonds?
- 8 A. That's correct, yes.
  - Q. What is now indicated in the quality distribution section?
- A. The portfolio has 87 percent in AAA rated securities, 1

  percent in AA rated securities, and 11 percent in non rated

  securities.
- 13 Q. If we can turn to Page 4 of this document, probably Page 5.
  - If you look at the entry here for the Wakpamni Lake

    Community Corporation, which is three lines down the chart,

    what is the percentage of the portfolio of your portfolio that
    that makes up?
  - A. 10.54 percent.
- 19 Q. We can take that down now.
- 20 What dollar value does that represent?
- 21 A. It is showing about \$8.6 million.
- 22 Q. Having seen that document, do you have any additional
- 23 information about the ways the investment was outside the
- 24 investment parameters?
  - A. So it was a private placement security which was not

made?

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- allowed for this account and it was also above the 10 percent threshold.
  - Q. Had you not already decided to fire Hughes, what would the impact have been in learning that the investment had been made not only outside the parameters, but in the size it had been
    - MR. TOUGER: Objection; hypothetical.
  - THE COURT: I'll allow it.
    - A. We certainly would ask them to sell the security and we would likely would have terminated the relationship as a result.
- 12 BY MS. MERMELSTEIN:
- 13 Q. You said you directed Hughes to find a buyer for the
- Wakpamni bonds in October of 2014. Were they, in fact, sold in
- 15 | October?
- 16 A. They were not.
- 17 | Q. Were they sold in November?
- 18 | A. No.
- 19 Q. December?
- 20 | A. No.
- 21 | Q. Have they ever been sold?
- 22 A. They have not.
- 23 | Q. Why not?
- 24 A. They were unable to find a buyer for the bonds.
- 25 | Q. Did you communicate with anyone at Hughes about efforts to

- 1 | sell the Wakpamni bonds?
- 2 | A. Yes.
- 3 | Q. Who was your primary point of contact?
- 4 A. Michelle Morton.
- Q. Did she offer a consistent plan with respect to how to sell
- 6 the bonds or did the plan change?
- 7 A. It changed several times. There were different buyers over
- 8 different periods, and including at one point the Native
- 9 American tribe indicated was going to purchase the securities
- 10 back from us, but ultimately none of them ended up working out.
- 11 Q. What, if anything, did she tell you about an effort to sell
- 12 | the bonds to an entity called Bonwick?
- 13 A. She introduced us to Bonwick as a broker who was going to
- 14 be involved in the sale, that there was a purchaser that had
- 15 been identified committed to buying the bonds, and I worked
- 16 | through a gentleman named Devin Wicker. The stipulation for
- 17 | this buyer was they wanted to have the bond registered through
- 18 | the DTC, and so I had correspondence back-and-forth with them
- 19 about the sale process.
- 20 Q. Would you say that Michelle Morton was generally responsive
- 21 | to your communications about selling the bonds?
- 22 | A. Not all the time. There were several instances when I
- 23 | wouldn't hear back from her for several days or a week or
- 24 | longer with an update on what was happening, and then there was
- 25 also dates that she indicated we would have this done by that

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- 1 | would pass and then we would have a new date.
- 2 | Q. Did there come a time you reported the Wakpamni bond issue
- 3 | in any way?
- 4 A. We ask the Department of Labor to investigate Hughes
- 5 Capital for breach of fiduciary duty related to the purchase of
- 6 the bond.
- 7 | Q. Did that in any way change the inability to sell the bonds?
- 8 | A. No.
- 9 MS. MERMELSTEIN: No further questions.
- 10 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 11 BY MR. TOUGER:
- 12 Q. Good afternoon, sir.
- 13 A. Good afternoon.
- 14 Q. Did you ever communicate with John Galanis?
- 15 A. I have not.
- 16 | Q. In person or email or telephone?
- 17 A. Not in any form.
- 18 | Q. Did you say the total worth of the Michelin Pension Fund is
- 19 worth how much?
- 20 A. Approximately \$3 billion.
- 21 | Q. 3 billion with a B, correct?
- 22 A. That's right.
- 23 | 0. And the total investment in the bonds was?
- 24 A. Approximately 8 million.
- 25  $\parallel$  Q. And that would be less than 2/100s of a percent of your

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- 1 | investment?
- 2 A. It is a little less than a quarter of a percent, I think,
- 3 yes.
- 4 MR. TOUGER: Nothing further, your Honor.
- 5 THE COURT: Any other cross?
- 6 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 7 BY MS. NOTARI:
- 8 | Q. I just have a couple very quick questions. We never spoke,
- 9 | correct?
- 10 | A. We have not.
- 11 | Q. And my client is Mr. Bevan Cooney who is seated over there.
- 12 You have never met with Mr. Cooney, correct?
- 13 A. I have not.
- 14 | Q. You never corresponded with him?
- 15 A. I have not.
- 16 | Q. You have never spoken to him on the telephone?
- 17 A. I have not.
- 18 MS. NOTARI: No further questions.
- 19 THE COURT: Mr. Wenner.
- 20 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 21 BY MR. WENNER:
- 22 Q. Good afternoon, Mr. Moore.
- 23 A. Good afternoon.
- 24 | Q. I represent Devon Archer. Have you ever met Devon Archer?
- 25 A. I have not.

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- 1 Have you ever spoken or corresponded with Devon?
- 2 Α. I have not.
- 3 You spoke briefly about your interactions with Michelle
- Morton, and you spoke about the possibility for Bonwick Capital 4
- 5 to acquire the bonds. Do you recall testifying about that?
- 6 Α. Yes.
- 7 Did Michelle Morton ever tell you in a telephone
- conversation that Hugh Dunkerley was going to buy the Wakpamni 8
- 9 bonds?
- 10 I don't recall her ever telling me that, no.
- 11 MR. WENNER: Mr. Jackson, are you able to pull up,
- 12 please, 3525-4.
- 13 BY MR. WENNER:
- Q. Mr. Moore, did you tell the government that Michelle Morton 14
- 15 in a telephone conversation told you that Hugh Dunkerley was
- 16 going to buy the bonds?
- 17 I don't recall telling the government that, no.
- 18 MR. WENNER: Mr. Jackson, could you turn to Page 7,
- 19 Would you expand the 5th paragraph, please. please.
- 20 BY MR. WENNER:
- 21 Q. Mr. Moore, I'm focused on the second sentence, but why
- 22 don't you take a moment to read that paragraph.
- 23 Α. (Pause) Okay.
- 24 Mr. Moore, does that refresh your recollection that you
- 25 told the government that Ms. Morton in a telephone conversation

1 told you that Hugh Dunkerley was going to buy the Wakpamni

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A. I don't recall telling them that. I may have, but I don't recall it.

MR. WENNER: Thank you very much, Mr. Moore. Have a great weekend.

THE WITNESS: Thank you.

REDIRECT EXAMINATION

9 BY MS. MERMELSTEIN:

10 Q. Is \$8 million, maybe two, is \$8 million a lot for the

11 | Michelin Pension Fund?

MS. NOTARI: Objection.

MR. TOUGER: Objection.

THE COURT: I'll allow that. Go ahead.

A. It is small as a percentage of assets, but I think \$8

million is a lot of money for anybody.

Q. Do you have to make a lot of tires to make \$8 million?

A. Yes.

MR. TOUGER: Objection.

MS. NOTARI: Objection.

THE COURT: Sustained.

MS. MERMELSTEIN: Nothing further.

THE COURT: Anything else?

24 CROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. TOUGER:

Q. Had Michelin tires ever failed to make a payment to one of its employees?

MS. MERMELSTEIN: Objection.

THE COURT: Sustained. You may step down.

(Witness excused)

THE COURT: Does the government have any additional witnesses today?

MS. MERMELSTEIN: No, your Honor.

THE COURT: Ladies and gentlemen, I want to talk for a minute about the schedule. I am sorry that we had a couple of short weeks. I know you want to get on with your lives, and we are doing our best to have that happen. Some things couldn't be avoided.

For next week, we're sitting Monday through Wednesday. On Monday, we'll sit 9:30 to 5:00. On Tuesday, 9:30 to 5:30.

JUROR: Sorry. Slow down.

THE COURT: Sorry, sorry, sorry. Monday, the 11th, we'll sit 9:30 to 5:00 o'clock. On the 12th, which is Tuesday, we are going to sit 9:30 to 5:30. On the 13th, we are going to sit 9:30 to 3:00. Next week we are not sitting on the 14th and the 15th.

The week after, assuming we are still going, we can sit every day from 9:30 to 5:30 if it works for you, and if you want to sit on Friday, I am happy to sit on Friday as well, the 22nd, if we're still going at that point. So that is the

schedule.

I want to remind you not to research the case in any way, not to talk about the case, not to talk to the lawyers, whether it is outside of court or even in court, and just keep an open mind and have a nice weekend. I'll see you on Monday morning. Thank you.

(Jury excused).

THE COURT: Everyone can be seated.

First, in term of time, when does the government anticipate it will rest? I know it is hard to predict cross.

MS. MERMELSTEIN: We have not been good at predicting the cross so far. I think that we will rest probably not the short week, but early the following week.

THE COURT: Early the week after?

MS. MERMELSTEIN: Exactly.

MR. TOUGER: Personally, I have no problem working as late in the evening as the court wants, but when we work late, it really affects Mr. Galanis immensely because he doesn't get back and things in the jail don't move smoothly. He is 75 years' old, and things are starting to wear on him. On that full week, I don't think he could make it 9:30 to 5:30. He is willing to try.

THE COURT: We only have one long day.

MR. TOUGER: Next week is not the problem.

THE COURT: Let's see how it goes. Keep that in mind

when you're cross-examining people. Obviously, Mr. Galanis' health is critical and I have tried to be sensitive.

MR. TOUGER: You have been wonderful. I am using this as informational. I am not asking for anything in particular.

THE COURT: It may be the government does, indeed, rest early that week. You may not be in a position to tell me what you expect on the defense case, and I understand that. At some point I'll want to give the jury an estimate. I don't think we need to do that now.

So in terms of the issues that remain, with respect to Mr. Schwartz's experts, you were beginning to think about if your position changed on who you're going to call. Do you have any update you want to provide?

MR. SCHWARTZ: Is that where we left things?

THE COURT: I thought so. I was ready to talk about it. I thought you had said it depends. I may not come to that, you may not want to call any of these people.

What is still an issue? What do you need rulings on and what should I prioritize because I want to get you what you need when you need it. Yes, good night, Mr. Galanis.

MR. SCHWARTZ: I didn't mean to convey, if I did, that we were prepared to edit their testimony now.

What I meant to say was I think that it is quite possible, depending on what happens throughout the entirety of the government's case, that we will edit down either the number

or the expected testimony of our experts.

I don't think that those are issues that are implicated by the government's motion. Their motion is basically: One, there is some notice issues; and, two, whether those are appropriate subjects of testimony. I don't think there is anything particularly on which a real opinion is being offered as opposed to just sort of predicate facts that support an opinion, where I am prepared to say right now we're not going to offer that opinion.

The one exception may be, and the government doesn't have to answer this question, but it seems to me like they may not be advancing any argument that there was an inappropriate transfer of a restricted security here, and if that's right, then I don't think we need that opinion. They may not want to commit to that right now, and I understand that.

MS. MERMELSTEIN: I don't think we are prepared to answer right now. With respect to the defense experts, our concern about the timing was with the effect on Professor Laby. Obviously, we want to have time to prepare for the defense case and we sort of would like to have sort of — we got a preliminary defense witness list that was I think fairly very comprehensive, in an effort to be careful. Many of those people —

(Multiple voices).

THE COURT: Why don't we talk about that next week? I

will deal with the payday lending issue first thing Monday morning.

 $$\operatorname{MR.}$$  TOUGER: May we see the court ex-parte? And I would appreciate it.

MS. NOTARI: We also have an ex-parte issue.

MS. MERMELSTEIN: So I think the outstanding issues then are, just so we are all checking the boxes, are the gold bar issue, the lending issue, and --

THE COURT: I don't think the defendants should cross about the gold bar issue given that I've kept out the context for that activity. That is my ruling on that. If you need more reasoning, I will give it to you on Monday.

MS. MERMELSTEIN: There is still the matter of the Cooney recording.

THE COURT: Yes. I will talk about that early Monday morning as well. The other thing I think I am waiting for you on, Mr. Schwartz --

MR. SCHWARTZ: When to rest?

THE COURT: Yes. As I said, I won't promise you I do what you ask. I understand what your issue is. My ruling is clear with respect to Mr. Cooney.

MR. SCHWARTZ: It hasn't, and that was also contingent on your Honor's Code Rebel ruling through a large chain of inferences in my edit. Now I have that ruling, I will let you know by letter in a day or so.

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With respect to the experts, the only thing I will say, there is not an immediacy except in the sense if the government is really a week and a half away from resting and we have to start putting in our cases, it would be help --THE COURT: We can talk about it first thing Monday morning. I will tell you the notice issues were not a problem I had delineations I want to draw. There are some for me. things I thought were appropriate and some areas where you were getting to the ultimate issue, so I am going to draw some I can do that with you Monday morning. MR. SCHWARTZ: Fair enough. We should, without your ruling, proceed on the assumption that we will have the ability to call the witnesses that we have noticed, although their testimony may have to be adjusted? THE COURT: That's correct. MR. SCHWARTZ: Thank you. MR. QUIGLEY: There was one other pending motion in limine regarding the Government Exhibit 2117 which the defense had moved to preclude, and we had briefed a response. That is not something --THE COURT: Remind me what exactly what that is. MR. QUIGLEY: 2117, the email involving Mr. Archer and somebody named Mark Waddington.

have to rule right now, but it implicates a variety of issues

MR. SCHWARTZ: There are letters on this. You don't

post-Galanis arrest, post this investigation, advice of counsel issues with respect to what was going on during the time of this investigation, which is why I put in a letter specifically on that exhibit when it was marked to us.

If it is helpful to your Honor, there are odds and ends like that, we can put them in a quick bullet point letter so nothing gets lost.

THE COURT: That is fine. Okay. Why don't we meet at 9:00 Monday morning. There is a discovery issue I am happy to talk to you in terms of your receipt of discovery now that Ms. Morton is out of the case, I am happy to talk about that at sidebar if you still want to talk about that.

Anything else?

MS. MERMELSTEIN: By "receipt of discovery," you mean access to what co-defendants have been making available, not sort of --

THE COURT: I think this was spoken about in general terms on the record previously, a search function based on what they already have, nothing implicating the government, but Ms. Morton was providing access in a way that now that she is out, they don't have.

MS. MERMELSTEIN: Understood.

THE COURT: All right. We'll deal with these issues on Monday.

MS. MERMELSTEIN: Thank your Honor.

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